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UNFRIENDLY ACT.

## AN ETHICAL BREACH.

Paris, Oct. 9.

The sensation created by the arrest and expulsion from France of the well-known American journalist, Mr. Horace Horan, as a sequel to the publication in the Paris Press of an official French document relating to the Anglo-French naval compromise, alleged to have been stolen, is as yet unabated.

Wild rumours regarding the manner in which the document was obtained are in circulation, but French diplomatic circles emphasize that Horan was not accused of stealing the document from the archives of the Foreign Office, but only with publishing a State document without the consent of the Government.

Breach of Ethics.

It is pointed out that such an action was a serious breach of professional ethics towards the French authorities.

Enquiries on the subject at the Quai D'Orsay to-day revealed that there has been no official American demarche in regard to the case of Horan. Mr. Armour, the United States Charge d'Affaires called at the Quai D'Orsay yesterday semi-officially to enquire into the truth of the reports that Mr. Horan had been arrested and imprisoned.

The French Foreign Office officials replied that the reports of the manner in which Mr. Horan was treated by the French Police are quite untrue.

Unseemly Act.

The French position was also carefully explained, the Quai D'Orsay pointing out to Mr. Armour that Horan had committed an unfriendly and unseemly act to the French Government in knowingly making use of its private property.

The French Government, it appears, has been endeavouring to trace the source of the information published in the New York American since its appearance a week or so ago. It was apparently traced to the Universal News Service in Paris, a Hearst agency, upon which Mr. Horan, the head of the office, was summoned to the Quai D'Orsay, where he admitted receiving the document from Mr. Hearst himself.

Mr. Hearst Hurriedly Leaves.

Mr. Hearst was then in Paris, but on learning that the French authorities were taking a serious view of the affair, he hurried to Washington in order to seek the assistance of Mr. Frank Kellogg, the American Secretary of State. Mr. Hearst declared that he assumed full responsibility for the incident and asked the intervention of the American Ambassador in Paris.

Two or three days later, Mr. Horan was again summoned to the Foreign Office. He gathered the impression during this interview that some arrangement might be possible, but when arriving at the door of his office in a car yesterday, he was held up by a posse of police and conveyed to the police station for a long interrogation.

Eventually, he was given the option of being tried for possession of the stolen document, and of remaining in prison in the meantime, or of leaving France by Thursday. He chose the latter course.

Mr. Hearst Calls It Funn.

New York, Oct. 9.  
Mr. Hearst, interviewed, said he saw no reason why the French Government should make such a fuss unless the agreement contained something whereof they were ashamed. He added: "If the French machinations and secret diplomacy involve the world in another great war, as they are likely to do, she need not again count on the United States to rescue her from disaster."—*Reuter's American Service.*

## NEW YORK SOCIETY TRAGEDY.

RECENTLY WIDOWED LADY'S  
SUICIDE.

POIGNANT NOTE LEFT.

New York, Oct. 9.

A poignant tragedy occurred at a fashionable hotel in the heart of the city to-day when Mrs. Arthur Edward Stilwell committed suicide by jumping into the street from a twelfth-storey window. She was killed instantaneously.

The victim left a note saying that she could not live without her husband, who died a fortnight ago. They were married in 1879, and would have celebrated their golden wedding next year.

Her husband, a prominent American railway constructor, claimed the possession of considerable physical powers. Many years ago he built a railway from Kansas City to the Gulf of Mexico, making Port Arthur, a town which he specially designed and built, the terminus instead of Galveston, which appeared to be the much more natural place.

He said that he took this step "acting upon the advice of the other world, and his trust was confirmed for, within a year, Galveston was almost wiped out by a tidal wave."

Mr. Arthur Stilwell was the president of the Kansas Railway when only 32 years of age.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## SHANGHAI'S HUGE POPULATION.

SIXTH LARGEST CITY OF  
THE WORLD.

47,000 FOREIGNERS.

Shanghai, Oct. 10.

A census just completed by the Chinese authorities claims that Shanghai is the sixth largest city in the world.

The total population is given as 2,726,000, of which 47,760 are foreigners.

According to the returns, the population of the French Concession is 358,000, the International Settlement 855,000 and Greater Shanghai 1,513,000.—*Reuter.*

The latest books of reference give only four cities with larger populations than that now claimed for Shanghai, namely London, New York, Berlin and Paris, with Chicago some 16,000 less than the Shanghai total. The figures are:

London	4,776,168
New York	6,103,384
Berlin	4,000,000
Paris	3,000,000
Chicago	2,701,705

## HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

RAPIDLY REGAINING ITS OLD  
POSITION.

Berlin, Oct. 9.

The Hamburg-America Line, which before the War was the largest shipping concern in the world, with a total net tonnage of 1,360,000 tons, is steadily striving to regain its old position.

A new building programme, providing for the construction of 20 ocean ships and 18 motor ships, has been practically completed, making the Company's total net tonnage over 1,900,000 tons, compared with only 4,200 tons in 1918, when the Company's ships were surrendered to the Allies.—*Reuter.*

## DANES & HEREDITARY TRAITS.

DRAFT BILL LEGALISING  
STERILISATION.

Copenhagen, Oct. 9.

The Danish Government has laid on the table a Bill legalising the sterilisation of persons dangerous to public safety.—*Reuter.*

## DUAL FESTIVAL CELEBRATED.

NUMEROUS HONGKONG  
GATHERINGS.

COMMUNISM DENOUNCED AT  
CONFUCIAN MEETING.

HOPES FOR CHINA.

Seldom has there been such a show of Chinese flags in Hong Kong as is in evidence to-day, due to the celebration of the Chinese Republic National Holiday which, falling on the 10th day of the 10th month (Gregorian Calendar) is aptly called the Double Tenth, going hand in hand with that marking the anniversary of the birth of the great Chinese Sage, Confucius.

The red flag with the white sun on a blue sky—the emblem of the Kuomintang—for the first time entirely superseded the five-barred flag, and with the British red ensign, made a vivid display of colour in the main streets.

In keeping with the precedent of previous years, most of the Chinese schools and colleges, as well as Chinese hongs and shops, have been enjoying a holiday to mark the event. Concerts and other functions were held last night and to-day in most of the Chinese scholastic institutions at which opportunity was taken to inculcate the ideas of the Sage into the minds of the young, together with timely talks regarding the nature of the Republican celebrations.

A feature of the Confucian Society's celebration was a spirited denunciation of Communism as being contrary to the teachings of the Sage.

Y.M.C.A. Observances.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. observed the day with a full programme. From nine to ten in the morning the student celebration took place. Twelve schools were represented.

The playground adjoining the Boys' Building was prepared with two flag poles, and suitable decorations. Promptly at nine o'clock, Mr. K. L. Chau, M.A., the President, took the platform with Sir Shouson Chow and the Rev. Cheung Man-chau. After prayer and music by the band, the two flags were raised together and given a cheer.

Then Sir Shouson Chow gave the address of the day speaking in classical Chinese, followed with such colloquial as the youngest student could grasp. His address was, in part, as follows:—"The seventeenth anniversary of the Chinese Republic is the happiest one we have celebrated because during the sixteen years previous there have been many difficulties and struggles. In order to acquire the happiness of peace and prosperity we have to make sacrifices. At present the North and the South have been united, and we are getting rid of our misunderstandings. Now with a true spirit of patriotism we can devote our energies to righteousness and justice. With such a foundation and such efforts we can expect peace and prosperity in the country."

Youth Needed.

"We must also depend upon talent. We require well-educated people to run the country. We must choose this talent from among the youth of to-day. Our youth are the pillars of the nation. You have such qualifications and opportunities, therefore you must study hard, and learn self-control. When your education is completed, you can help the country and elevate society."

"Although I am old, I have ambition still, and I expect the young men of to-day to utilise their education and knowledge to help the country to be prosperous and powerful. In the years to come, this celebration will be an endless occasion, with increasing significance, year after year. We must give three cheers for the Chinese Republic and thank the Y.M.C.A. for arranging this celebration."

100,000 Firecrackers.

Following the rousing cheers for the Republic, the flag, and the speaker, the field was cleared for a safe distance to make room for the 100,000 firecrackers that had been donated to create a din worthy of the occasion.

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## CORRUPTION TRIAL CONCLUDED.

DON DISTRICT "FINANCIERS"  
SENT TO JAIL.

BRIBE ORGANISATION.

Riga, Oct. 9.

Arrested over four months ago in the course of an intensive Police campaign following reports of official corruption, the trial has just concluded of 180 managers, inspectors and other officials of the Don District Finance Department.

They were indicted on charges of systematically receiving bribes and incorrectly recording traders' profits, as the result of which the Government revenue was seriously depleted.

The accused men included M. Orloff, the Assistant Director of the Finance Department.

## TERRIBLE MASSACRES IN KANSU.

Moslem Fanatics in Orgy of  
Murder.

ABOUT 200,000 KILLED!

New York, Oct. 9.

A shocking story of massacre and terrible atrocities is expected to come to light from Kansu Province, China, in the next few days.

According to information received at the New York headquarters of the China Famine Relief Organisation, Moslem fanatics have run amok in different parts of the province.

It is reported that about 200,000 persons have been massacred.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## AMERICAN AVIATION ACCIDENTS.

ALARMING FIGURES SHOWN  
IN OFFICIAL REPORT.

Washington, Oct. 9.

A toll of the air in the United States entirely unprecedented is revealed by an official report issued by the Department of Commerce, which states that during the first six months of 1928, 390 aeroplanes crashed in the United States.

The loss of life entailed by these mishaps is given as 163, while two or three hundred persons were injured.

The casualty list disclosed represents an increase of 190 accidents compared with the whole of 1927.—*Reuter.*

## AUSTRALIA COASTAL TRADE.

TO BE OPEN TO BRITISH  
SHIPPING.

London, Oct. 9.

In the course of a speech at Sydney, Mr. Bruce, the Australian Prime Minister, announced the intention of repealing the coastal clauses of the Australian Navigation Act.

This will permit British ships to engage in the Australian coastal trade. Mr. Bruce further intimated that tariff protection would be afforded to vessels complying with the Australian wages and living conditions regulations.—*British Wireless.*

## HANKOW'S RECENT DISASTER.

FIRE CAUSES MUCH  
DEVASTATION.

FLAMES SWEEP THROUGH  
NATIVE CITY.

PANIC EVERYWHERE.

Hankow papers to hand give graphic details of the fire which swept through a large area of congested native dwellings with a ferocity that defied the combined efforts of the local fire brigades for five and a half hours on September 25th. With the wind behind it the fire spread with alarming rapidity, leaping from one section of dwellings to another leaving nothing but charred and blackened ruin in its wake and for a time defying all efforts to prevent its devastating onrush to the business section of the city.

Panic reigned everywhere. Shrieking women and frenzied men rushed blindly in all directions. Children screamed and were trampled underfoot as the terrified residents dashed madly to safety before the increasing conflagration.

Raging Inferno.

The presence of soldiers summoned for the prevention of looting added to the pandemonium as they struggled to force back the encroaching crowds of spectators. Huge iron electric light standards wilted and crumbled under the terrific heat.

Brick building after brick building crumbled and crashed into the raging inferno as it devoured section after section of the district. From midnight until dawn the fire raged unchecked, leaving in its path a waste of ruin, desolation and destruction pitiful to behold.

Impossible Task.

The first brigades had an impossible task by the time they reached the scene of the outbreak. Fanned into a fury comparable only to a prairie or bush fire, the flames devoured the highly combustible material provided for them in the tiny straw and mud huts crowded together in thousands in that district. What little fire-fighting appliances were available to the native fire brigade and what little pressure of water could be obtained from the mains in that district were absolutely powerless against the force and strength of the outbreak. It consumed what it willed and raged unchecked for upwards of five hours.

Origin of Outbreak.

The fire had its origin in a tiny straw hut in the vicinity of Changteng-tse and was caused by the over-turning of a lamp during a mah jong game. The whole of the block bounded by Changteng-tse, Chi Sen San Maloo and Chi Sen Sze Maloo consists of nothing more than a collection of hundreds of small huts constructed of matting and straw.

With such ready material and backed up by a stiff breeze the outbreak soon assumed serious proportions and in a short time was completely out of hand. The wind, blowing in a north-easterly direction, carried the flames and embers with terrific speed to the neighbouring block of buildings and soon had a stranglehold in that quarter.

A third block of huts and brick dwellings was soon alight and burning with the same fierce intensity as the other areas. The heat was terrific and completely prevented any attempt on the part of the brigades to get within reasonable range.

Electric lamp poles crashed and burned under the force of the blaze and suddenly the whole of the district was without light save that which came from the tremendous glare of the fire which lit the sky for miles around.

Pandemonium Reigns.

And amidst it all came the usual wailing screaming and general din from those who had lost their all in the consuming flames. Those who had been fortunate enough to sense the impending danger from the on-rushing flames managed to gather

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## PRAGUE BUILDING DISASTER.

UNCOMPLETED PREMISES  
COLLAPSE ON WORKERS.

60 BURIED IN DEBRIS.

Prague, Oct. 9.

A terrible disaster occurred in the heart of the city this morning when a building in the course of construction collapsed without warning, the majority of the workmen being buried alive. Hundreds of people were quickly on the scene, assisting in the work of rescue, but it is feared that sixty lives have been lost.

The structure was one of five storeys, and the greater part of the exterior work had already been completed. When the collapse occurred 87 men were working inside the premises, according to the contractors.

Twenty-seven of the employees managed to scramble from the ruins practically unaided, but their fellows were buried deep in the debris. The most remarkable feature of the mishap was that the whole building collapsed like a pack of cards.

The debris was piled high, and it will be some time before the rescue-workers are able to reach the men who were working in the lower storeys at the time of the collapse. Sixteen bodies have been exhumed so far.

The building was of reinforced concrete, and the builders attribute the destruction to inferior cement which failed to set in the guaranteed time.—*Reuter.*

## COMMUNISM RIFE IN JAPAN.

TRADE UNIONISTS TARRED  
WITH THE BRUSH.

ATTACK LEGISLATION.

Osaka, Oct. 9.

Nearly three hundred representatives of the various Trade Unions in Japan were present at the annual opening to-day of the annual meeting of the Japanese Federation of Trade Unions.

Mr. Bunji Suzuki, the well-known Japanese Labourite, presided.

The meeting passed a resolution demanding the abrogation of the Law for the Maintenance of Peace and Order, under which hundreds of Communists were rounded up last Spring, (on the discovery of extensive Bolshevik plots).

Speakers strongly condemned the present policy of the Japanese Government, particularly in reference to their attitude to China. After several outspoken speeches had been made, a resolution was passed congratulating China on the progress of the national revolution, and criticizing the Japanese policy, urging the adoption of a new policy, under which co-operation for the mutual prosperity of the two peoples must be the keynote.—*Reuter.*

## NEW YORK YANKEES WIN CHAMPIONSHIP.

ST. LOUIS DEFEATED FOUR  
TIMES SUCCESSFULLY.

New York, Oct. 9.

By defeating the St. Louis Cardinals to-day in the fourth match of the World Series, the New York Yankees have won the championship.

Winners of the American League, the Yankees, although suffering the loss of valuable players by injury, defeated the Cardinals by 4-1 in the first game, and by 3-3 in the second. They won the third comfortably, and completed the triumph of four successive wins over the National League winners to-day.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## HEAVYWEIGHT FIGHT.

UZZUDUN TO MEET ROBERTO  
ROBERTI.

New York, Oct. 9.

The heavyweight fighter Paulino Uzzudun, the Pasque, is fighting the Italian heavy, Roberto Roberti on Wednesday, Oct. 17th, at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## CHINA'S LEADERS TAKE OATH.

HISTORIC REPUBLICAN  
CEREMONY.

ON BIRTHDAY OF CHINA'S  
REVOLUTION.

CHIANG AS PRESIDENT

On the anniversary of the Republic of China, the most appropriate day of the year, the new leaders of the reorganised National Government took the oath of office, at Nanking at eight o'clock this morning.

The historic ceremony took place at the Central Kuomintang Headquarters in Nanking with impressive ceremonial, at which Messrs. Wu Tse-hui, Li Shih-teung and Chang Ching-kiang officiated.

The first to take the oath was Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, the President of the National Government, the Chairman of the five new Yuan following in their order of precedence.

A grand review of troops was afterwards held at the aerodrome. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek personally inspecting the forces in the presence of all the Nationalist leaders.

Chiang's Official Title.

Announcing the arrangements in a message received earlier, Reuter says that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who will be officially intitled the "President of the Nationalist Government" of the Republic of China, and the Chairman of the five Yüans, Gen. Tan Yen-kai, Mr. Hu Han-min, Dr. Wang Ching-hui, Mr. Tsai Yuan-pei and Mr. Tai Chi-tao, will formally take their oath of office this morning.

Opposition to Chang Hsueh-liang.

It is understood that the members of the new State Council at present in Nanking will also take their oath. Reuter learns that there was considerable opposition at yesterday's meeting of the Central Executive Committee to the election of General Chang Hsueh-liang, the young Manchurian leader, as a State Councillor, but eventually the views of those stressing the necessity for the unification of the country prevailed.

Shanghai Celebrations.

Shanghai, Oct. 9.

Over 50,000 Shanghai Chinese took part this morning in a mass meeting on the Public Athletic Ground, held in commemoration of the Nationalist troops who died in the cause.

To-morrow, the Double Tenth, a big review of troops has been arranged, and in the evening lantern processions will be held.

Hankow Arrangements.

Hankow, Oct. 9.

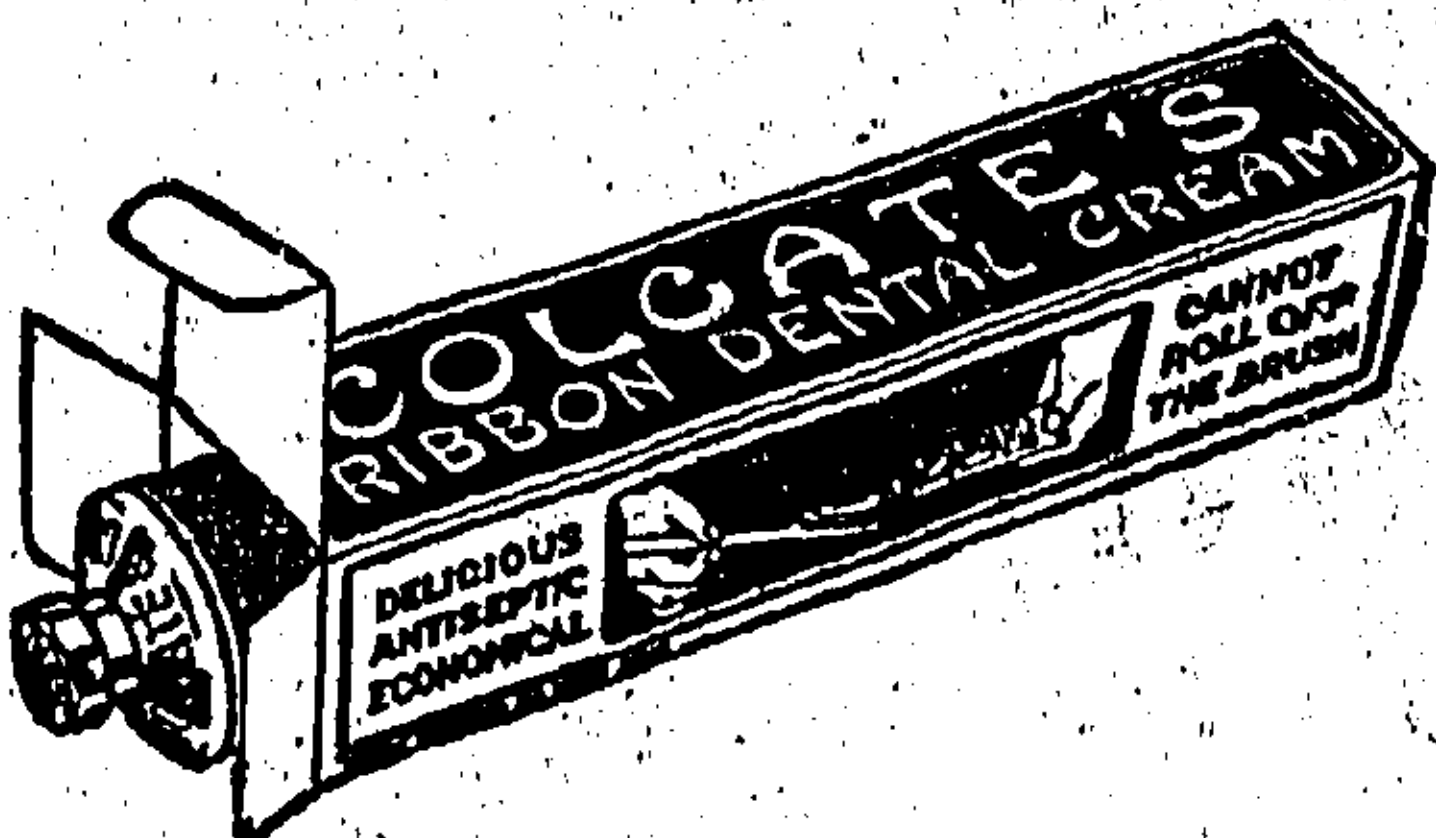
The Anniversary celebrations began this evening with lantern processions simultaneously in all the Wuhan cities, all public bodies participating in the parades.

To-morrow morning the date of the birth of the Chinese Republic, fitting ceremonies will be held and will be continued throughout the day winding up at night with an offer of lantern processions. It is also proposed to hold a display of lanterns on the river at night. During the afternoon of the same day military manoeuvres will be held by the troops of the 4th Group Army and the Chinese authorities will be at home to the foreign Consular officials and friends.

Aeroplane Display.

Another feature of the day's celebrations will be an aeroplane exhibition during which pamphlets will be distributed over the Wuhan cities explaining the purpose of the celebrations and giving the history of the Republic. All shops, residents, river vessels and dwellings will be expected to fly national flags and other bunting during the three days' celebrations. Many arches of a decorative nature are to be erected in the busy sections of the city and at night these will be illuminated with coloured electric lights. The celebrations will be carried out in all three cities simultaneously.





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CORONER'S INQUIRY.

MOTOR CYCLIST EXONERATED FROM BLAME.

The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death" in an inquiry, conducted yesterday by Major C. Willson, into the death of a Chinese girl, aged eight.

The girl, according to an earlier report, was knocked down by a motor cycle driven by Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho, and died shortly after admission to hospital.

Dr. G. H. Thomas, of the Government Civil Hospital, stated that on September 25 a Chinese girl was taken to the hospital at 8.05 p.m. She had a wound over the left eyebrow from which grey matter was protruding. The girl was unconscious and died at 9.20 p.m. the same day.

At the post mortem examination, the doctor found that the skull was fractured over the left eyebrow, and the brain was lacerated. The stomach was found to be ruptured also.

Mr. Botelho, giving evidence from the witness box, stated that he was an article clerk to Mr. Leo D'Almeida e Castro, solicitor. On September 25 he was riding his cycle along Queen's Road East in a westerly direction and was travelling at about fifteen miles per hour. When near the Grand Theatre, a Chinese girl ran out from the left side of the road. Witness at once de-clutched and applied the brakes, at the same time sounding the horn. The little girl turned round to look at witness and then, instead of continuing on her way across the road, she turned round and ran back towards the side walk from which she had issued.

Bucket Entangled.

The girl got clear of the cycle, but a bucket which she was carrying at the end of a pole, across her shoulder got involved with the cycle's headlight. The cycle fell, throwing Mr. Botelho, who noticed that the girl was also thrown.

Mr. Botelho next saw the girl getting up and running into the verandah, where a Chinese woman held her up. Witness asked the girl to go to the police station, but the woman suggested that there was no need to do that, if the cyclist was willing to pay some compensation.

It took two district watchmen and a Shantung constable to induce the girl's mother to allow the matter to be taken before the police, arrived at the No. 2 Police Station. The girl was despatched at once from the Police Station to the Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. G. W. R. Griggs spoke of seeing the cycle drop. He said there was a bucket over the handlebars. He also saw a girl run into the verandah, as described by Mr. Botelho. Witness informed the Coroner that the speed of the motor cycle must have been very slow at the time of the accident.

Mother's Evidence.

The mother of the girl said that she and her daughter were about to cross the road, to fetch water from a street fountain. Her daughter (the deceased) stepped out of the side channel and was knocked down by a motor cycle which did not sound its horn. Witness said that she did not wish to say any more about the matter but she thought she ought to be compensated.

Inspector Alexander (to the Coroner): As far as compensation goes, the driver of the cycle is quite willing to give a fairly good sum, as an act of grace.

Evidence as to the condition of the cycle was given by Sergeant Baker, who stated that the machine was an A. J. S. which was almost new. The brakes were in good working order.

Without retiring, the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death," adding that no blame attached to the driver of the motor cycle.

The Coroner, through his interpreter, informed the mother of the unfortunate girl that the jury had found that Mr. Botelho was not to blame, but that compensation would be paid.

PROPERTY SALES.

KEEN BIDDING FOR LARGE KOWLOON LOT.

Sales of Crown Land by auction at the P.W.D. by Mr. F. Sutton attracted a large number of prospective bidders yesterday, but it appeared after the commencement, that principal interest was centered on a plot of land situated at the junction of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads. This was the only lot that went at a figure above the upset, and was knocked down to the Ho Tung interests.

The sale opened with the putting up of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1167, situated in Ki Lung Street at Shamshulpo, with an area of 852 square feet at an annual Crown Rental of \$5, for a term of 75 years from 1898. Conditions of sale called for the expenditure of a sum of \$4,000 in rateable improvements within 24 months and levelling as approved by the Director of Public Works within 12 months.

No bid above the upset price was received and the lot was knocked down to Mr. Mok Kwa-cheuk of 167 Laichok Road without opposition.

Second Offering.

The second offering was Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2143, situate at the junction of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads, having an area of 20,650 square feet on an annual Crown Rental of \$236 and held for a term of 75 years from 1923, with the option of a renewal for a further similar period. Conditions of sale included the expenditure on rateable improvements to the value of \$60,000 within 24 months and the usual clause as to levelling within 12 months.

Opening at the upset price of \$46,237.50, bids of \$100 were acceptable and the price quickly rose at the minimum, with one of \$150. The tenth bid wiped out the old dollars and cents and put the figure up to \$47,200. Thereafter the bids were at the minimum and after a keen contest by two opposing interests, the sale was concluded in favour of Sir Robert Ho Tung and the Lee Wah Company at \$49,700, with 35 bids from the opening.

Further Lots.

With the main sale completed, there were but few left to compete for the purchase of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1168, situate at the junction of Apia and Shek Kip Mei Street, Shamshulpo. This lot had an area of 5,814 square feet at an annual Crown Rental of \$40, with conditions of sale including a clause calling for the expenditure of \$10,000 on rateable improvements within 24 months and levelling to approval within 12 months, certain parts to be handed over to the Government free of cost, on completion.

There were no bidders above the upset price of \$8,720 and the lot was knocked down to Mr. Wong Tung of 48 Bonham Strand without opposition.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN SHORTLY.

Tokyo, Oct. 9.

Though it is stated that no concrete decisions were reached in the interview between Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. Hichitaro Yada, the Japanese Consul General at Shanghai, on the 7th inst., Foreign Office circles predict the early opening of a basic talk preliminary to the initiation of Sino-Japanese negotiations.

It is generally believed that the Government is ready to agree to the enforcement of a graduated tariff provided the Nationalists guarantee firstly that the increased revenue derived therefrom shall be used properly, secondly to the adjustment of Japan's unsecured loans to China.

It is understood that the tariff question will be kept separate from the question of treaty revision, but observers consider that the settlement of the former will greatly facilitate the solution of other pending problems.—Reuter.

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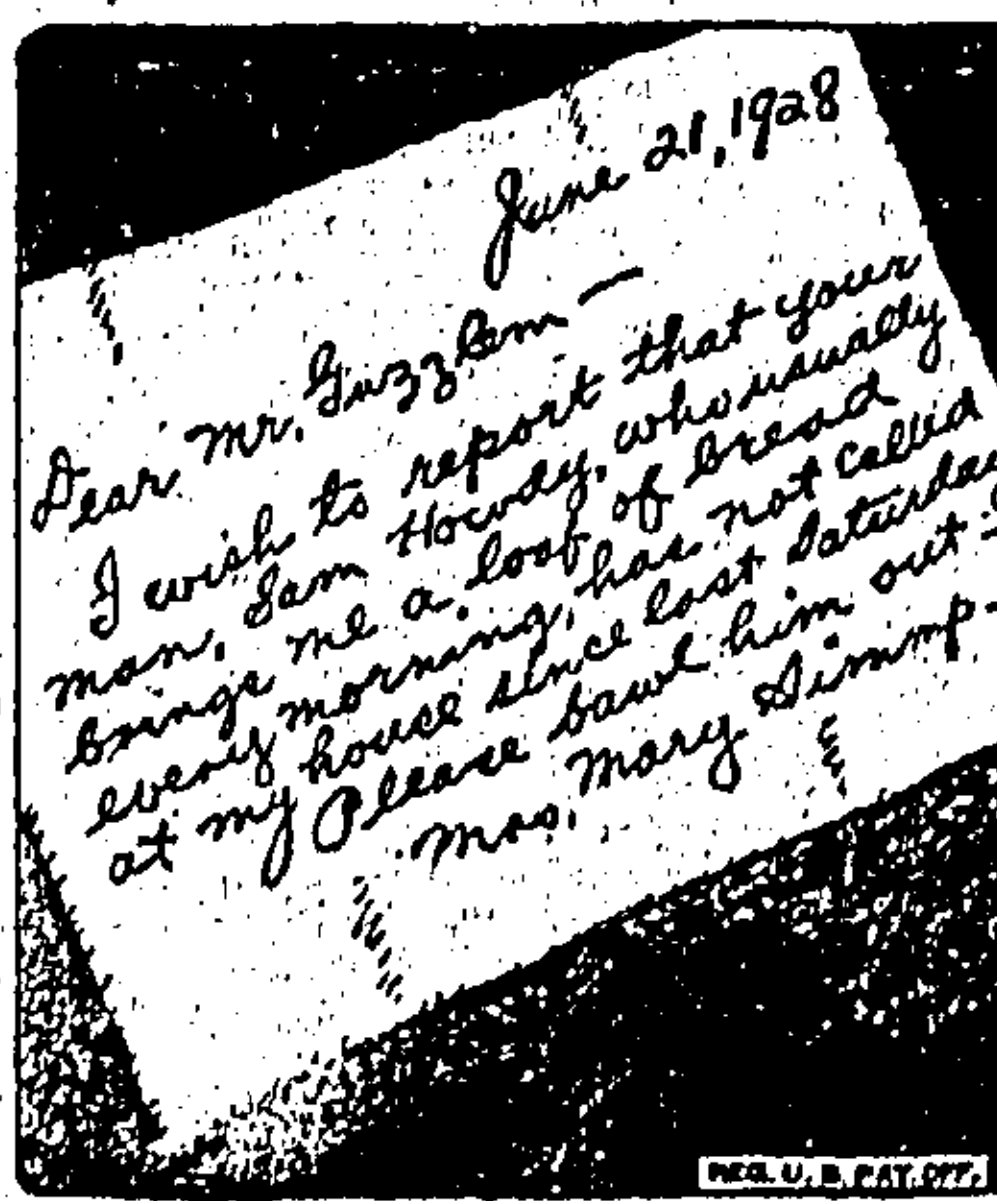
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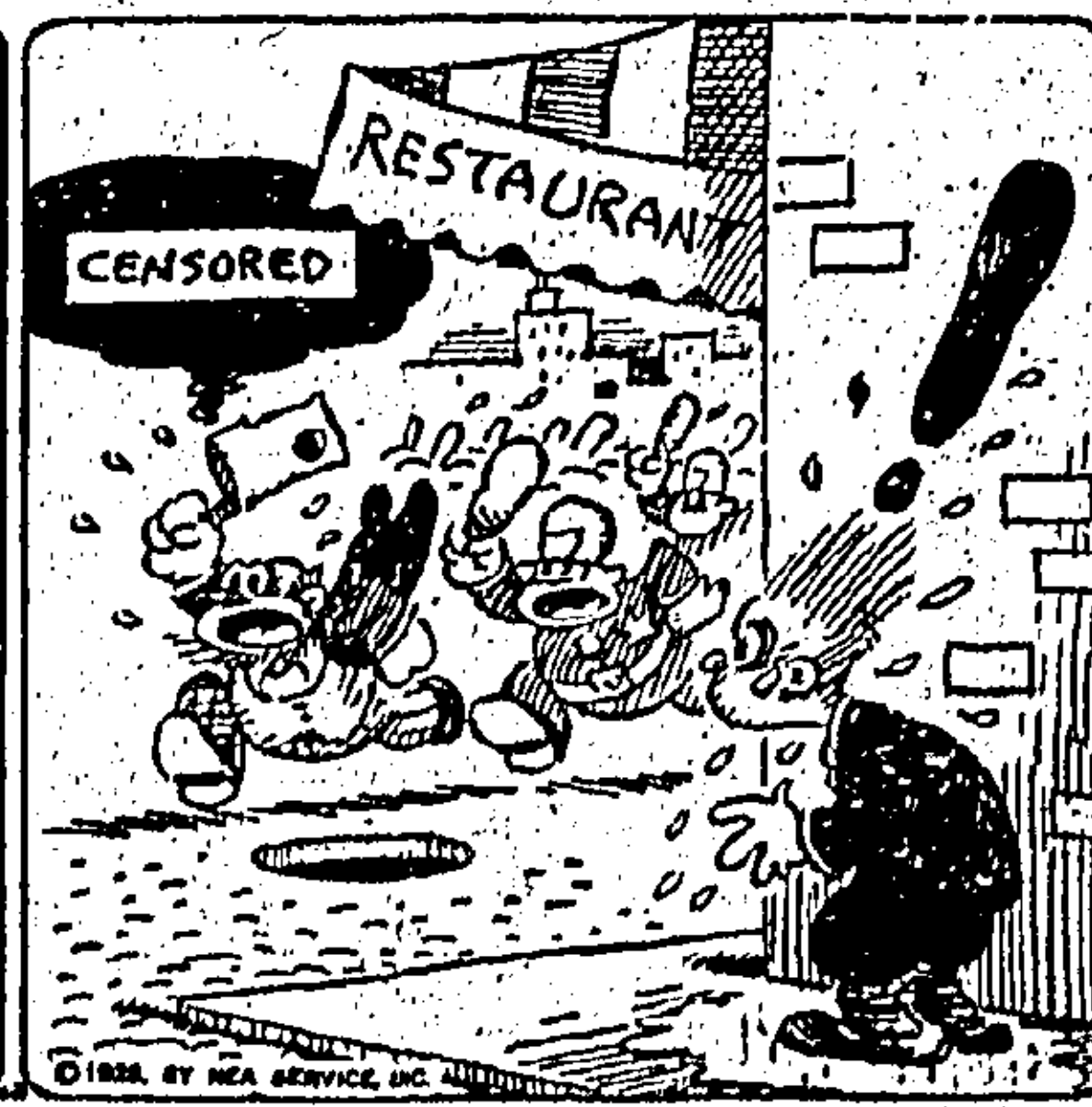
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A striking picture taken just as the top portion of a church steeple was crashing to the ground. The crash was not the result of an accident. When the repairs to the steeple began to grow costly members of the church decided to remove it.



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A thrilling scene from "His Dog" a film recently released for exhibition in China.



Above is the only dog in the world which has been on expeditions to both the North and South Poles. It is seen in the arms of the chief cook of Commander Byrd's ship "The City of New York" which has left for the Antarctic.



Mr. Arthur S. Garbutt, musical critic and the editor for the U.S. National Broadcasting Co. had never been up in a plane, but when Capt. Royle, British airman offered to take him up for a drop to improve Garbutt's hearing, the critic agreed at once. Photo shows the plane in its 8500-foot nosedive from 11,500 feet to 3000 feet. It was snapped 6000 feet up from another plane that dropped dizzily to get the picture, and almost cracked up near San Francisco. Inset is Garbutt, who says the relief to his ears was only temporary.



Nobody knew that Jascha Heifetz and Florence Vidor were married until they were leaving New York for California. Then they announced they had been married quietly after their recent return from Europe. Heifetz, generally regarded as the greatest technical master of the violin, is 27; his wife 33.



The rare phenomenon of the appearance of a white crow was witnessed by members of a party escorting Mr. William M. Jardine, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, on a motorboat trip. The bird was shot down and it was found that the bird's head, bill and feet are white, and its eyes are pink. Jardine will have the specimen presented to a museum.

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## WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Stockings &amp; Belts.

A TOUCH OF ORIGINALITY.

"What is this about stockings?" is a question many are asking. Are coloured ones coming in? Windows full of black ones have been seen. A new pinkish grey has appeared too often to be ignored, and gun metal is being worn by a number of the smartest Parisiennes.

In answer to these queries, live colours are not here yet—except for evening wear—neither are black stockings.

Pinkish grey is fashionable, also gun metal, which, when on, looks like a transparent black. It is a strange thing that with short skirts, hosiery has so far not launched any popular surprises other than clox and jewelled anklets; however, there is still time for this.

## Belts.

Any and everything calculated to impart a touch of originality to a jumper is just now eagerly courted. Hence the approval accorded the vogue of belts half-an-inch in width, or approximately that.

These may be of suede kid, or material, and incidental as they are, immediately catch the eye as a novelty. Another notable persuasion among the well-dressed in that of mingling kasha with Milanese for complete jumper suits, an idea that at once suggests short lengths, usually kept in one colour. A model seen affected two shades of kasha for the skirt, the hem being of a deeper tone, which reappeared in the narrow belt, front grapping of the collar, and pocket binds on the Milanese jumper.



A dinner-gown in chestnut brown-chiffon and lace, having the latest skirt which dips low at the back, and the swathed bodice lifted slightly in front.

## Bobbed Hair.

A CINEMA STAR'S OPINION

"We can be coerced into wearing transformations and switches when a production calls for a long haired role; but very few of us will ever play our real life roles with a psycho pinned securely on our heads."

Thus did Esther Ralston answer an interviewer the other day when asked if she had decided to add a few more inches to her pale gold bob.

During this discussion a hair-dresser with nimble fingers was weaving a delicate wave into the star's brilliant hair. The wave was close to the head, the ends caught at the back of the ears, outlining the lovely contour of Miss Ralston's head and neck.

"Light hair is far more lovely short than long," continued Miss Ralston. "The sun finds an opportunity to reflect glowing colour in a crop of gold or red hair that is not set and pinned into dullness."

## Variety of Fashions.

"I can arrange my short hair in at least six different fashions. When it was long I was limited to two."

"The strongest argument against the return of long-hair should be the hat situation. The chic hat fits the head relentlessly snug. The lines of the head are followed unflinchingly and to have this line broken by a bump of hair at the back of the neck would be a decidedly unfashionable thing."

"Most women's lives have become far too complicated for them to go back to the 'hour-before-the-mirror' process every time they adjust their hair."

"To the few that bewail the lack of dignity in bobbed hair, I would reply that dignity is a thing most of us are trying to forget, and even the bob can be dignified if handled properly." What can be more regal than the sight of

## New Lingerie Models.

SOME SPECIAL FEATURES.

The uneven hem is a feature of some of the newest lingerie models. A dainty shellpink georgette night-dress, its scalloped hem edged with narrow lace, has a circular dip at the back in the manner approved by fashion for many evening frocks. Like the majority of nightdresses, it is sleeveless, and a girdle of pink satin finished with a rosette encircles the waist.

Coloured lace or net to tone with the georgette, silk or satin that is used to fashion the rest of the garment, is a popular trimming for up-to-date lingerie. There is a fascinating cardigan, too, made from rose-coloured lace, with a border of georgette the same shade.

Pajama suits with "jumper" tops are in great favour. A new model has a bright floral crepe de Chine jumper with an attractive jabot in front, the trousers being of plain washing satin.

Silhouette-shaped Princess slips of washing satin are an inspiration, since there is no tiresome fullness to mar the fit of the frocks worn over them.

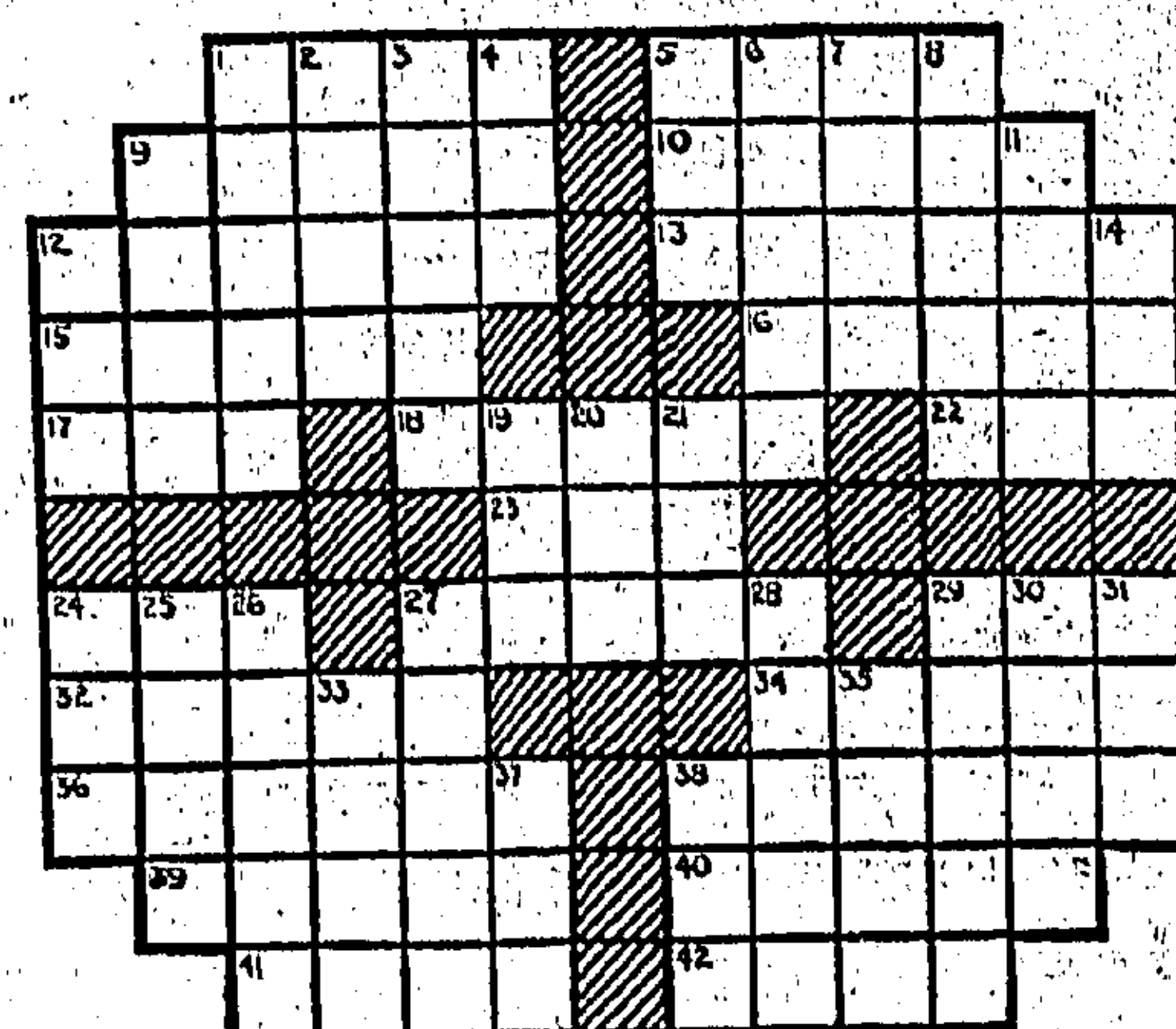
For evening wear there are "backless" cami-knickers of georgette in delicate shades, and soft satin directoire knickers trimmed with pearl, silver, or diamante embroidery.

For the chilly days that are doubtless ahead, dainty hand-made lace wool undergarments, in some cases lined with chiffon, are available.

Florence Vidor, her smart clipped hair, softly waved close to her head, caught behind her ears, swept off her forehead?

"I do not believe this talk about return of long hair means a thing. I have just returned from a trip to New York and found all my friends there and in the middle-west paying regular visits to the barber shops."

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



## Horizontal

- 1 To wither as a plant.
- 5 A shark of the West Indian region.
- 9 Large glandular organ.
- 10 To beguile.
- 12 Woolly.
- 13 Spheres or cubes.
- 14 To damage.
- 16 Projecting ridge.
- 17 Affirmative.
- 18 To remove by washing lightly.
- 22 Organ of sight.
- 23 By way of.
- 24 To damage.
- 27 Typical genus of moles.
- 29 One plus one.
- 32 Rounded convex molding.
- 34 Cruder.
- 36 To scold.
- 38 Tractable.
- 39 Competitor.
- 40 To improve.
- 41 Compartment of a prison.
- 42 Nude.

## Vertical

- 1 Conclusion.
- 2 Pertaining to grandparents.
- 3 To restrain.
- 4 Before.
- 5 Acreiform field.
- 6 Substitute for soap.
- 7 Either of two large bullrushes growing in southwestern United States.

- 8 Apart.
- 9 Alley.
- 11 Sharp.
- 12 To place or deposit.
- 14 To observe.
- 19 Yellow bugle.
- 20 Nothing.
- 21 Fluid from a tree.
- 24 Crowd.
- 25 To assert.
- 26 Dewy.
- 27 Sum.
- 28 Fragrant smell.
- 29 To embrace.
- 30 To join metals by fusion.
- 31 Silver in rock.
- 33 To wash.
- 35 Maple tree.
- 37 Measure of cloth.
- 38 Any flat fish.

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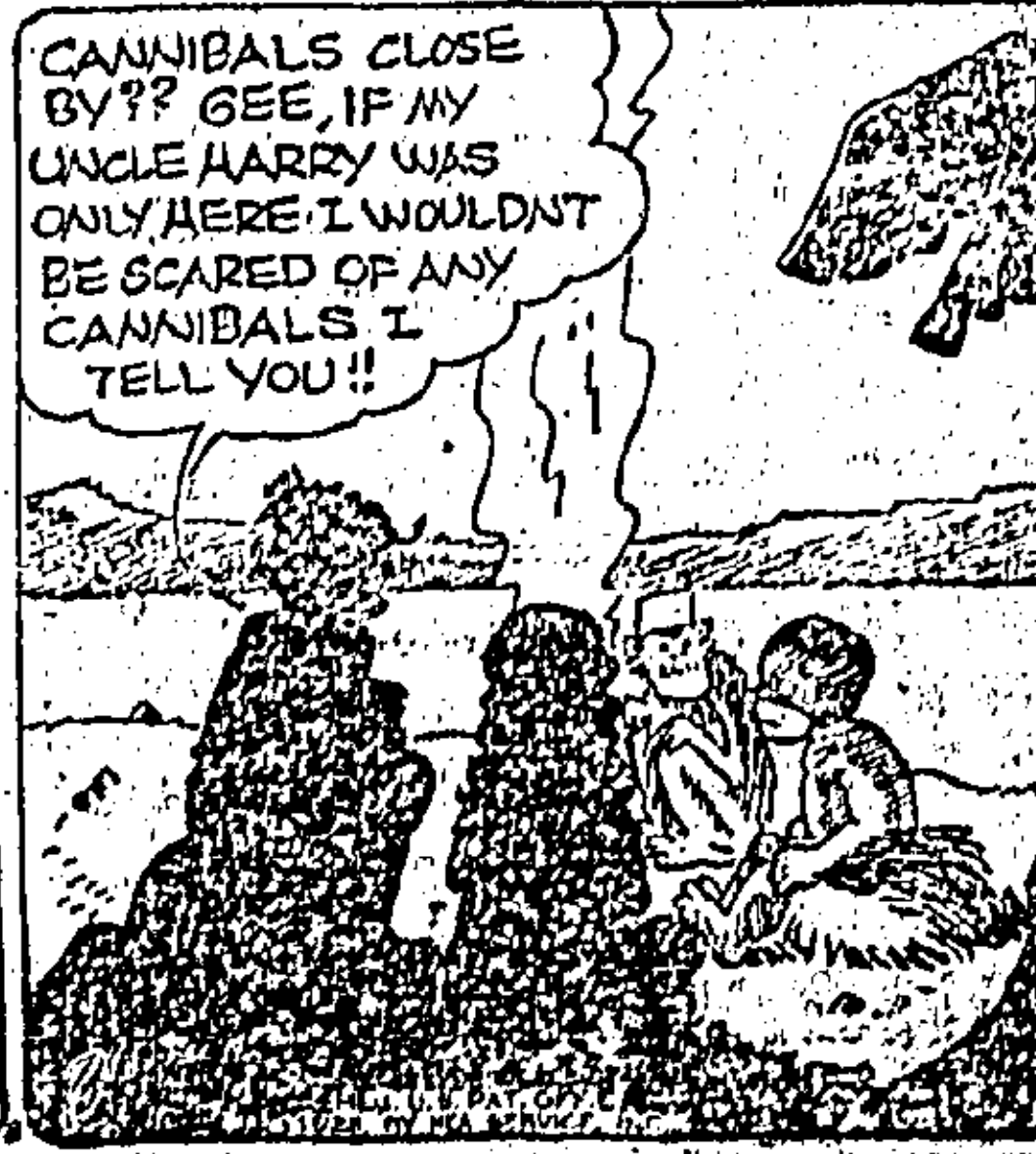
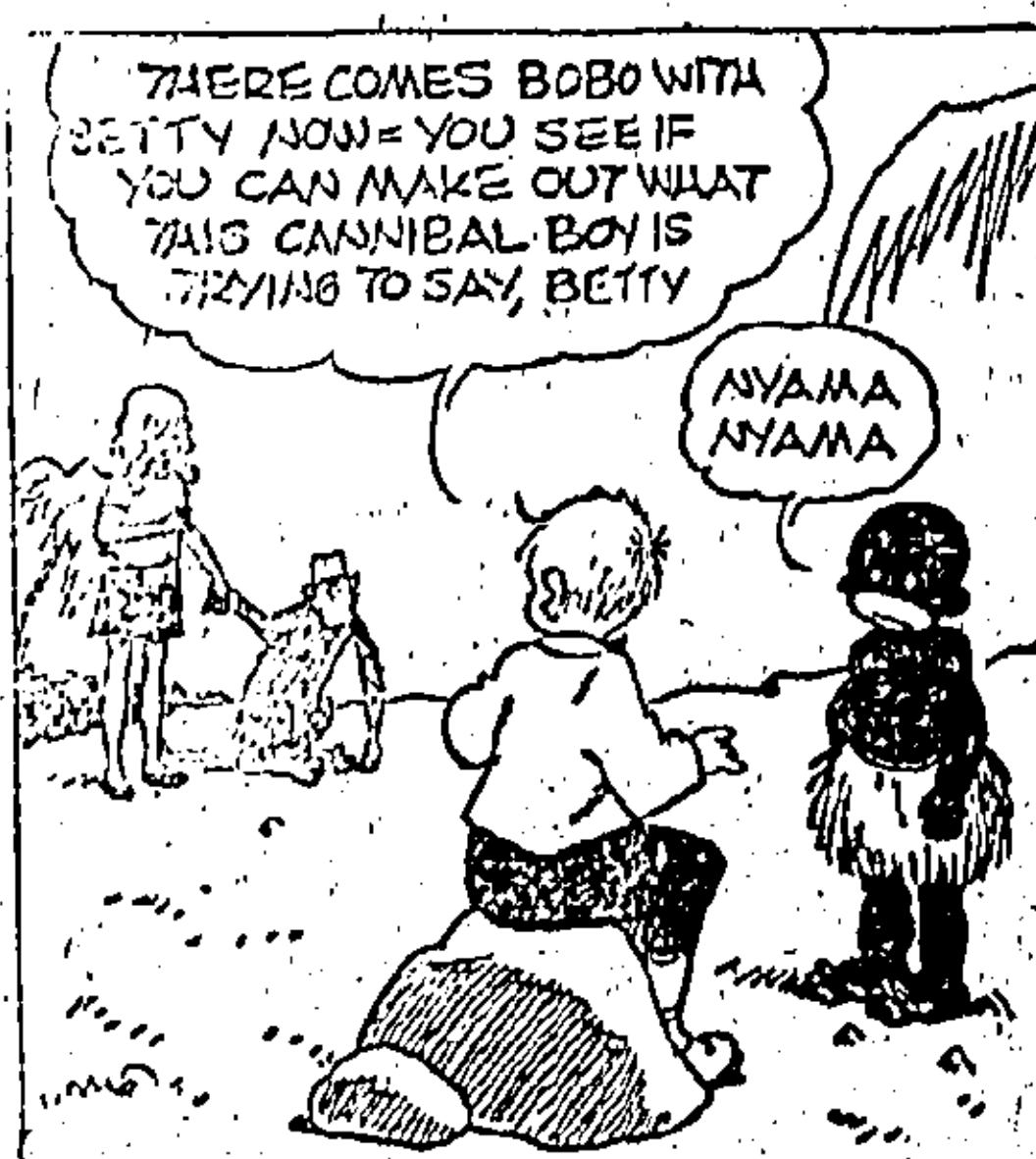
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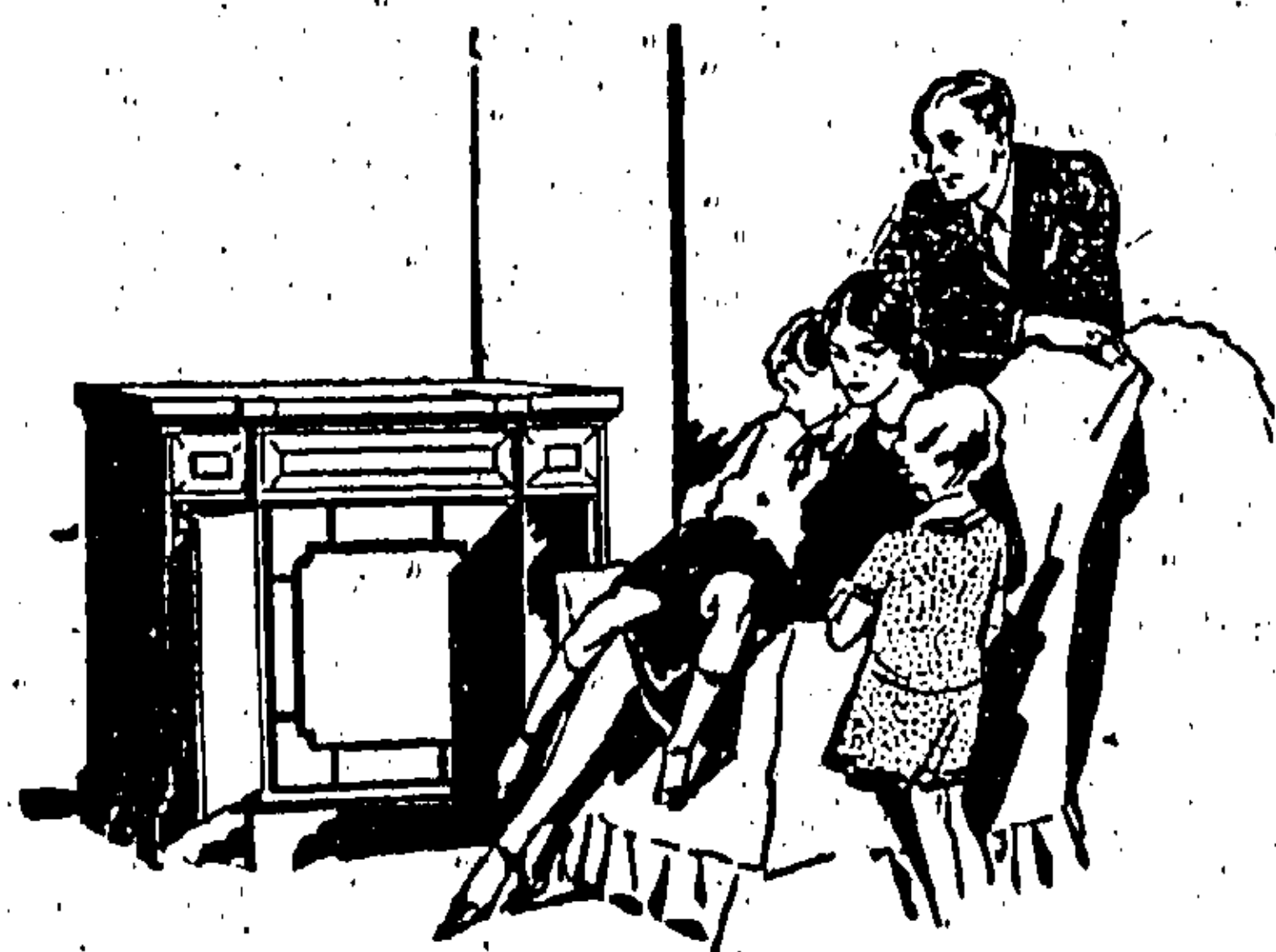




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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1928

## A FRESH START.

To-day is being regarded by the Chinese as a particularly auspicious date, for by a happy coincidence the anniversary of the establishment of the Republic falls on the same day as the yearly observance of Confucius' birthday. The occasion is likely to be marked by important declarations on the part of the Nationalist Government, in which much will doubtless be said regarding its future policies. Since the last National Day, history has been made in China, happily in the direction of the establishment of a centralised Government responsible for the governing of the whole country. It has been a tremendous task to extend Nationalist control and to bring the various leaders together under one banner, but it can be said that a far greater measure of success has been attained than would have seemed possible within the time. The obstacles have been many, and if they have not yet all been overcome, the situation to-day is far more promising than it has been for very many years. Those who have patiently plodded on, with a determination to evolve order out of chaos, now have the satisfaction of knowing that they have served their country to some purpose.

It is especially satisfactory that on the very eve of the National Day the reorganisation of the Nationalist Government has been accomplished. Yesterday's telegrams gave the details of the new administrative bodies, and a study of these warrants the belief that a workable scheme has been evolved. The personnel of the Government Council is also such as to inspire the hope that a policy of moderation will be followed both in internal and international affairs. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, as the Chairman of the Council, becomes virtually President of China, a post which should satisfy his ambitions and make him feel that his services in the field have been very highly appraised by his fellow-Nationalists. We note with much satisfaction the inclusion of so many Moderates in the new Council, including Marshal Li Chai-sum, whose record of sound and stable rule in Canton has won him many golden opinions. Whether he returns to the South or not, he may be depended upon to exercise a wise and beneficial influence in the councils of the Government. But perhaps the most striking appointment of all is that of General Chang Hsueh-liang, son of the late Marshal Chang Tso-lin, and now ruler of the Three Eastern Provinces. The fact that he has accepted office in the newly-created Government Council must be taken as an earnest of his wish that Manchuria should definitely join hands with the Nationalists and recognise Nationalist authority. This is a development of the highest importance, and, coupled with the fact that Canton, Hankow and Peking leaders also figure in the Council, it helps us to visualise the extent to which Nanking's authority has spread. The dream of a united China, owing allegiance to one Central Government, at last looks like coming true.

But the reorganisation of the Government, necessary and essential as it is, does not represent the completion of the Nationalists' task. Rather does it mark the beginning. The machinery of government has been created; it now has to be put into motion. And it will be judged by what it accomplishes. We believe in the sincerity of the Nationalist leaders in desiring to restore order to their country and in wishing to initiate the many needed reforms. They have heavy tasks ahead, but in the work to which they are putting their hands they have the real sympathy of their foreign friends, who on this day of rejoicing join in the hope that success will attend their efforts.

## Naval Limitation.

The unhesitating condemnation of the Anglo-French naval limitation proposals by Washington is clearly the basis of the Italian Note on the same subject handed to the British and French Ambassadors on Sunday. If anything, it is given added point on that account, rather than the contrary. Italy is a trifle more restrained in her rejection, at the same time leaving no room for doubt that the suggestions outlined do not meet with approval. If any spark of life remained in the compromise, it may now be regarded as extinguished. It is finally made clear that the authors of the Agreement approached a vital international interest from a singularly selfish angle. Partly through newspaper propaganda and partly through the secrecy imposed by the two Governments concerned, the compromise was, further, vested with an air of diplomatic dexterity which created suspicion in every direction. Britain may prove up to the hilt how unfounded those suspicions are without improving, to any appreciable extent, the feeling abroad. The Italian Note contains many interesting observations. Rome follows Washington in expressing a desire for limitation of tonnage rather than a reduction of specific classes. Logically, the attitude cannot be attacked. The prospects of general agreement seem to depend entirely upon a proposal of this nature, and British experts must seek a means to this end. A fixed aggregate tonnage with freedom to build the classes most suitable to each country's vital needs is an easy and safe solution—provided always the first factor can be agreed upon. Italy makes an excellent gesture in this connexion, declaring her willingness to accept any figure, however low, if it is not exceeded by any Power in Continental Europe, in other words, by France. The annotation to the effect that disarmament should be taken on the broader basis to embrace air, land and sea armaments, is well reasoned, but scarcely comes within the scope of the matter at issue.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

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New York	4.35 2/32
Amsterdam	12.00%
Stockholm	18.13
Vienna	34.45%
Madrid	30.00
Bucharest	802%
Bombay	1/10 21/32
Yokohama	1/10 21/32
Brussels	84.30
Milan	92.00
Copenhagen	13.11
Prague	107%
Lisbon	5.11/32
Rio	2/74
Shanghai	27.1/10
Silver (spot)	27.1/10
Silver (forward)	27.1/10

—British Wireless.

## DAY BY DAY.

THE MAN WHO IN THIS WORLD CAN KEEP THE WHITENESS OF HIS SOUL IS NOT LIKELY TO LOSE IT IN ANY OTHER.—Alexander Smith.

The P. and O. s.s. *Mores*, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The P. and O. s.s. *Jeypore*, from Singapore, is due here at 6 p.m. on Monday next.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benreoch*, from Home, Straits and Philippines ports, is due here to-morrow.

Mr. T. A. Barry has been appointed Acting Secretary of the Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd.

Dr. J. H. Sanders and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis returned to the Colony this morning after a most enjoyable holiday in Indo-China.

Surgeon Lieut. D. R. Campbell, M.D., has been appointed to H.M.S. *Mantis*, and Surgeon Lieut. P. B. Jackson to H. M. S. *Suffolk*.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* is due here on October 16th (Tuesday). She will sail for Manila at 10.00 p.m. on the same day.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. R. O. Sutherland, architect, of 368, The Peak, to Miss C. N. G. Guinness Oswald, of Tai Hing, Foochow.

The s.s. *Charles Hardouin* yesterday taken in hand at Taikoo yesterday for overhaul and refit after a long lay-up, preparatory to being again placed on the Kowloon run.

A notice placed on the door of a Chinese shop in the business centre of Hongkong to-day stated:—"To-day we rest for the sake of Confucius congratulations."

A Japanese named Tajima, who has appeared at the Kowloon Magistrate on several previous occasions, was this morning fined \$7 by Mr. W. Schofield for being found drunk and incapable in Temple Street.

On a charge of being in possession of 360 denobators, a villager of Pak Tin, Shamshuipo was fined \$100 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning. The defendant's wife was also arrested, but, on the husband taking the responsibility, she was discharged.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, on the young Chinese woman who, yesterday, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny of \$79 and a quantity of jewellery. The defendant's husband refused to in any way compensate the complainant.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave a heavy list of arrivals and departures, 20 and 22 respectively, leaving 55 vessels in port, of which 15 were British. Tonnage was above the 55,000 ton mark, but freights were poor, the British registers being 2,410 inward and only 50 through. With three vessels entering in ballast, Dutch returned the day's high figures.

Appearing on remand before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning, on a charge of returning from banishment, a Chinese, who yesterday stated that he had returned to see his mother who was ill, was sentenced to eight months' hard labour. Sergeant Humphreys said the mother denied to the police that she had sent a letter to her son. She added that her son returned in February last and had been mixing with bad characters.

## 400 PLANES IN FRENCH AIR MANOEUVRES.

BRITISH EXPERTS SEE G.H.Q. BOMBED.

Paris, Sept. 14. Over 400 aeroplanes took part in the first of the French manoeuvres which began this morning in the south-western region of Paris, between Versailles and Chartres.

The British air chiefs, who are following the manoeuvres, drove early this morning to the headquarters of the General in command.

The first encounter they witnessed was a surprise attack on a cavalry detachment by three squadrons of bombing planes. The chief umpire decided that only one group of the attacking planes had successfully carried out its mission.

This was followed by an attack in which four enemy planes made a daring onslaught at a low altitude on the headquarters of the General commanding the defending army. One plane succeeded in dropping bombs on the headquarters.

## CLERK'S CLAIM FOR \$500 DEPOSIT.

AFFAIRS OF SOUTH CHINA IMPORT AND EXPORT CO.

A claim concerning a deposit of \$500 as employment security was heard in the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Jackson, when Taul Kung-cho, 57, Wellington Street, first floor, sued the South China Import and Export Company and two partners, Chung Kam-ching and Tong Kwok-choy, 35, Queen's Road Central, first floor. The plaintiff claimed the sum of \$503.73, being \$500 principal due under a deposit note dated July 31, 1923, and \$3.73 interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum for 89 days. The money was alternatively claimed as money lent.

Mr. W. D. Owen was for the plaintiff and the defendants were absent.

The plaintiff stated, in evidence, that he was employed by the defendant firm as a clerk from April

## About Hong Kong.

Do you know that—

Hongkong has on several occasions had a Volunteer Fire Brigade?

One was formed in January, 1866, and in March of the same year a Chinese Brigade was also established.

The movement appears to have died, however, but in 1873 another Volunteer Brigade was formed under the auspices of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Companies, which also lapsed later.

During the Great War, Hongkong had another Voluntarily-raised Brigade.

19, 1928, until July 31, 1928. His salary was \$40 a month, in addition to which he received \$30 for board and lodging.

Plaintiff said that "guard against any embezzlement that I might do" he deposited the money with Tong Kwok-choy, in return for which he was given a receipt.

In pursuit of his duties, plaintiff went to Canton for the defendant firm on April 19 and returned to Hongkong on June 30. On returning he saw Tong Kwok-choy when he was asked to sign a circular letter which had been sent to the whole of the staff. That was when the business was "deteriorating." The circular letter was to the effect that a new company was being formed and that all the employees were to be discharged.

Plaintiff further said that his deposit was not returned to him and when he asked for it he was told that the Company had no money to pay but he was promised repayment when funds were available.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

## ARMS POSSESSION.

WOMAN SENT TO GAOL FOR 18 MONTHS.

Two men and seven women appeared at the Central Magistrate this morning charged with possession of two revolvers, one automatic pistol and twenty-seven rounds of ammunition. The case was jointly heard by Mr. E. Lindsell and Major C. Willson.

On the charge being read out to the defendants, all denied it except one woman, who had a baby in her arms. She told the Magistrate that the arms were left at her house by her brother.

Sub-inspector M. Murphy informed his Worship that he had instructions to withdraw the case against the rest of the defendants; if one of them should plead guilty.

The remaining eight defendants were accordingly discharged.

The woman who admitted possession said the weapons were placed at her house, No. 43 Caine Road, ground floor, by her brother. She understood her brother wanted to sell them. She pleaded that she was a woman and knew very little about the arms.

Mr. Lindsell commented on the fact that the arms were not new and that they were the sort of revolvers which were used for armed robberies.

Sentence of eighteen months' hard labour was imposed on the woman.

The police next preferred a charge of returning from banishment against one of the two arrested men. Pleading guilty, the man was sentenced to twelve months and twenty strokes.

## The Very Idea!

A correspondent sends to a Home paper the following schoolboy howlers, warranted genuine:

The climate of Europe is neither too hot nor too cold, but just nice.

Another boy describes it as "sober, temperate, and mild."

The Protestant religion is divided into two parts, Whigs and Tories. The Tories go to church and the Whigs to chapel.

Olivier Cromwell, surnamed Commonwealth, was the only son of a brewer, but in time of war he was a brave and noble leader. He fought in the War of the Roses.

Aurora Borealis is the Northern Lights. They burn the oil out of the sea.

Who introduced Christianity?—Martin Luther.

A syllable is that which can be pronounced with one sweep of the tongue.

The probable cause of earthquakes may be attributed to bad drainage and neglect of sewage.

Inspector Doole, of the Dodanduwa police, recently charged a Sinhalese boy, named David, with having attempted to alter the railway signal, opposite the Dodanduwa police station.

The Inspector said that the boy after nightfall made an attempt to tie the revolving wheel of the signal with a piece of rope.

The Magistrate enquired of the lad why he did so.

The accused—I did it for the fun of it. I wanted to see the train halt in the open. (Laughter).

The Magistrate said that it was a serious offence, punishable with a fine of Rs. 1,000, rigorous imprisonment and twenty-four lashes.

The accused admitted the gravity of the offence which he said he now realized.

The Magistrate ordered the accused to be given ten cuts with a cane.

Lloyd George, fulfilled with dollars and success. Throws up his task of writing for the Press; Or has the Yankee Press, with rising gorge, At last decided to throw up Lloyd George?

"You certainly have prima facie evidence," remarked Dr. J. S. Crone, Wilkeson magistrate, to a man with two black eyes, who applied for an assault summons.

"While I was trying to strangle him, he strangled me with a stick," said a manslaughter defendant.

Defendant at Mansfield (accused of theft): I admit it, but I deny it.

Man at Southend (summoned for leaving his motor-car outside the police station): I thought it was a chapel.

Woman at Bow: Because I am a man's wife I got to do everything he tells me.

"To dump a thing over a garden wall does not constitute acceptance," Judge Turner, at Westminster County Court.

Drinkall was the name of a collarman fined at Marlborough-street for being drunk and disorderly.

Isaac (who had just recovered from a serious illness)—"Doctor, you have charged me for four weeks' calls; I will pay for only three weeks."

Doctor—"But I called on you every day for four weeks."

Isaac—"Well, dere was von week I was delirious, and I didn't see you come in."

A girl at Brighton who disapproved of the breakfast provided in her lodgings poured it in the carpet, threw butter on the floor, burned a tablecloth and curtains, broke three vases, tore paper from the wall and broke a table. She probably meant to show that the Food Reformers could make as much disturbance as the R.S.P.C.A. if they really set their minds to it.

## HAWAII POPULATION.

JAPANESE ALIENS SECOND TO FILIPINOS.

The population of the Territory of Hawaii is estimated at 348,767 persons, an increase of 15,847 over last year, according to statistics just released by the Territorial Board of Health.

Hilo's population is estimated at 12,850, a gain of 456 in the year, while Honolulu's population gained 6400, making the total of 113,000.

A feature of the report is that alien Japanese have taken second place in the territory. It is estimated that there are 51,870 Filipinos in the islands. The Japanese alien population is placed at 51,348, a decrease of 616 over last year. The number of American citizens of Japanese ancestry is given as 83,252, which is an increase of 2574 over last year.—*Christian Science Monitor*.



**THIRSTY BIRD IN S.P.C.A. CASE.****MR. A. H. CROOK QUOTES AN AUTHORITY.****BIRD DEALER FINED.**

An interesting point, as to whether or not a type of bird, known to the Chinese as *Pan Kau Cheuk*, drinks water "heat" was decided this morning at the Central Magistracy, when Mr. A. H. Crook, Headmaster of Queen's College, who has made a study of birds, particularly Eastern birds, gave evidence in Mr. R. E. Lindell's court.

The case was one in which the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals prosecuted a stallholder of the Central Market for keeping a cage of these birds and depriving them of water.

The bird had been variously described in English as a dove or a pigeon. Defendant suggested that it was not necessary to give water to the birds, as it was taken with their food, a sufficient proportion of water being mixed.

In evidence, Mr. Crook stated that he had made a study of birds, particularly birds of this part of Asia. He had seen the bird connected with the case and it was his opinion that the species required water.

Quoting from a book by H. Whistler, who Mr. Crook described as an authority on Eastern birds, he read to the court the following comment on the red turtle dove, which is the bird concerned in the case: "Water is very essential to it, as like other Chinese doves, it is a very thirsty bird."

A fine of \$15 was imposed on defendant, after Inspector Fowler had given evidence to the effect that a tin of dry grain and an empty tin were the only receptacles found in the cage.

**PING PONG TOURNAMENT.****EASY VICTORY FOR NEW CHAMPION.**

Playing in the final of the Colony's Singles ping pong tournament at the Chinese Catholic Society's premises last evening, Kwan Man-ching defeated Ng Tai-ping, last year's champion, in two straight sets, 3-2, 3-1.

From the very start Kwan Man-ching had the match well in hand, sending home many brilliant smashes with the ex-champion out of position. Ng at times tried to force the game, but found most of his drives returned and had to be content with playing on the defensive. Kwan exhibited all-round superiority and was greatly applauded.

The "Kom Tong" Challenge Cup thus goes to Kwan Man-ching, who is also champion of the South China Athletic Association this year.

**RIFLE SHOOTING.****PORTUGUESE VOLUNTEERS HOLD COMPETITION.**

The Rifle Club of the Portuguese Company of the H.K.V.D.C. held its annual competition at Stonecutters, in conjunction with Part 2.

The Lusitano Club Cup was competed for and the winner was Lieut. S. Jarvis with a score of 97 points. Prizes for the second and third best scores, presented by the officers of the Company, were won by L/Sgt. H. J. Silva, 95 points, and Private F. Ribeiro, 94 points.

There was also a team competition, the winners being L/Sgt. H. J. Silva, L/Sgt. J. A. Delgado, Opl. C. A. Cunha, and L/Cpl. E. V. M. Souza, with a total of 320 points.

**TROOPING SEASON.****10TH HUSSARS POSTED TO EGYPT.**

London, Oct. 9. The 10th Hussars, from Hounslow, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Greenwood, sailed from the Southampton to-day on the transport City of Marseilles for Egypt. They will relieve the 15th Hussars, who are going on to India.—*British Wireless.*

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases show two cases of typhoid and one each of small-pox and diptheria. The last-named was German, the others all being Chinese.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Taiyo Maru to-day were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Allen, Mrs. Greenhalgh, Mr. C. B. Brooke and Mr. V.H.C. Jarrett.

**DUAL FESTIVAL CELEBRATED.**

(Continued from Page 1.)

At ten o'clock in the forenoon, the Young Women's Christian Association took up their programme of celebration for the girl students of the Colony in the hall of the Y. M. C. A. This was filled to capacity when the official representatives of twenty-two girls' schools marched in.

The programme consisted of songs, an address by Mrs. Tao Shih-fong and a pageant presenting the history of the years of the Republic. This was conducted by Miss Shin Tack-lung.

During the day, the Y.M.C.A. conducted a bicycle excursion around the New Territories, thirty riders setting out for the sixty-mile ride.

In the evening a member's dinner given in the Gymnasium is to be held, followed by an entertainment in the Hall.

**Girls Celebrate.**

At the Koshing Theatre this morning, the girls of the Young Chung School, a growing institution whose pupils number several hundreds, staged a Chinese performance to which a large number of parents and friends were invited, the latter including Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education.

The concert opened with an address by the Headmistress, Mrs. Cheung Yeuk-mui, who spoke on the importance of the day, as regards, firstly, the anniversary of Confucius, and, secondly, the Chinese National Day. After paying a tribute to the memory of the Sage, who enjoined love of country as one of the cardinal virtues, she referred to that great event, 17 years ago, which saw the establishment of a new Republic for China and the opening of an era of greater enlightenment.

Just as France and the United States each had their National Day, so the Republic of China had hers, which this year was ushered in with greater significance than was usual, in that it also marked the unification of China and the establishment of a more beneficial form of Government.

The speaker was enthusiastically applauded.

After the audience had bowed three times on each occasion before the National Flag and the portrait of Confucius, they settled down to enjoy a programme, which promised to take up the whole day. It consisted of drills and action songs contributed by the pupils, and speeches rendered by friends of the School.

**Confucian Celebration.**

To celebrate the anniversary of the birthday of the Chinese Sage, members of the Hongkong Confucius Society held a commemorative meeting this morning at the Tai Ping Theatre, West Point. Over two thousand enthusiastic adherents of Confucianism attended.

The entrance to the theatre was beautifully decorated with flowers, which formed four big Chinese characters—"The Sage of Eternity." Inside, there were equally effective and colourful silk and floral decorations many forming the familiar sayings of the Sage.

The singing of the Chinese Anthem, marked the beginning of the meeting, which was immediately followed by the offering of sacrifice at the altar of the Great Teacher.

The offering ceremony was presided over by Mr. Li Yick-mui and Messrs. Au Lim-chuen, Chau Tung-sang, Lau Sing-cheong and Chan Siu-hing. The sacrifice was made before a picture of the Sage, placed in the centre of the stage. The ceremony took the form of the customary kow-tow and while the five members were performing the sacrifice, appropriate Chinese music was rendered. After this there was singing by young Chinese girls.

**Communism Denounced.**

Before the conclusion of the meeting, several of the members of the Society delivered speeches on Confucianism, these including Mr. Li Yick-mui, who declared that the teachings of Confucius had been endangered recently by the invasion of Communism, the pernicious doctrines of which were in direct contrast to Confucianism. However, the life of the Communist movement had proved to be short lived, and with the extermination of Communism there had been a distinct revival of Confucianism.

Mr. Li added that the Nationalist Government had announced its intention to uphold the teachings of Confucianism, which provided the only means of preventing the moral downfall of the Chinese.

At the Hongkong University this evening, there is to be a concert and dance in the Great Hall to celebrate the day.

**St. Stephen's College Concert.**

To celebrate the "Double Tenth" festival, as well as the birthday of Confucius, the students of St. Stephen's College, last night entertained their friends at a concert given in the Kwok Siu Lau Hall of the St. Stephen's Girls' College.

The hall was filled to its fullest capacity and even standing room was at a premium. Apparently it was not the programme that formed the chief attraction, but the fact that the College found such a big and distinguished support for their concert. Mr. Yeung touched the matter of the National festival and observed that every Chinese present must be glad that at last, after years of endeavouring, China was united. Portions of Mr. Yeung's speech were marked with tumultuous applause.

Mr. C. Y. Ching also addressed the gathering in Chinese on Confucius Day and quoted passages galore from the great sage's teachings to show the wisdom and greatness of Confucius. His speech also proved extremely popular, interruptions in the form of applause being frequent.

The Rev. E. W. L. Martin addressing the gathering said that he had only two words to say, after the very eloquent addresses by the former speakers. He wanted to say in English what a very remarkable occasion they were celebrating, namely, the Birthday of a great sage of China and also the occasion of the founding of the Republic of China. It was a very remarkable thing that the two dates should correspond this year. He wanted to join with the other speakers in reverence to the great teacher of China and in bidding God speed with all his heart to the great Republic and people of China.

An interesting programme was then presented to the audience, songs, music, magic and short plays being among the numbers. Mr. Harry Ore, a well-known pianist, was amongst the entertainers. Tea was served during a short interval.

**Nanking Celebrations.**

Nanking, Oct. 9. Aerial manoeuvres, public lectures and military parades are included in the three-day programme beginning to-day on the occasion of the "Double Tenth" celebrations. The city presents a very gay appearance. *Patrols* have been erected at cross-roads, in front of all official buildings, as well as the large business houses, while the populace is turning out in holiday garb.—*Reuter.*

**Martial Law in Shanghai.**

Shanghai, Oct. 9. The Chinese authorities have declared martial law from midnight during the "Double Tenth" celebrations.—*Reuter.*

**KEEPS SAME ENGINES.**

Although 1929 is the year automobile racing engines are scheduled to change their displacement, it has been decided to let the present 51½ cubic inches remain.

**PEKING POSTAL OUTRAGES.****DESTRUCTION OF JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS.****DIPLOMATS NOTIFIED.**

Peking, Oct. 4. In view of the fact that the action recently taken by the local Chinese postal organs in detaining and burning large quantities of copies of the *Shunien Yipao*, a Chinese newspaper under Japanese management, is contrary to the decision reached at the Washington Conference in connexion with the Chinese postal administration which provides that China shall maintain her effective postal administration, Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese Minister, finding it necessary to arouse the attention of the Powers participating in the Washington Conference respecting the action referred to, addressed a note yesterday to the Diplomatic Body. In it, he enumerates outrages committed by the Peking post offices towards the newspaper and suggests that the Diplomatic Body shall consider the matter and reach an agreement on some permanent measures to be adopted for the effective administration on Chinese postal affairs in conformity with the Washington decision.—*Toko.*

**Instances Cited.**

Peking, Oct. 4. The Japanese Minister in a circular letter to the other Ministers draws attention to alleged violations of the resolution adopted at the Washington Conference regarding the maintenance of the efficiency of the Chinese postal service, in connexion with the activity of postal employees against the Japanese paper *Shunien Shih Pao*.

The letter gives instances of violations of the agreement as follows: (1) On September 9 the postal union seized 700 copies of the *Shunien Shih Pao* at the railway station after they had been handed to an official for despatch (it is reported that these copies were subsequently burned); (2) On September 18 it was found that copies of the September 16 and 17 issues, numbering 1,450 each, were seized by the postal workers' union while still in the post office; (3) On September 19 post office officials refused to receive 720 copies for Nantain; (4) On September 20 it was found that all papers marked for Japan and various Chinese provinces sent to the post office on September 18 were seized.

A spokesman of the Japanese Legation states that he understands that these cases of infringement of the agreement are receiving serious attention also from the other countries signatory to the treaty.—*Reuter.*

On the I.R.C. ground on Monday the foreign staff of the Hongkong Electric Company defeated the local staff by 17 runs. Taking first knock, the staff, consisting mainly of I.R.C. players, compiled 71 runs, of which A. S. Ismail contributed 32. No other player reached double figures. Banks bowled very well for the foreign staff, taking 6 wickets for 15 runs, while Harlock took 4 for 30. The foreign staff replied well, Harlock hitting up 45 before being dismissed, while Mr. "Extras" contributed no less than 22. A. S. Ismail took five wickets for 32 and A. K. Minu two wickets for 2.

**"DIRTY TRICK" BY INFORMER.****POLICE ADMISSION IN POSSESSION CASE.****DEFENDANT SUFFERS.**

"Our point of view is that, no doubt, the informer played a dirty trick on him," said Inspector Fallon, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when prosecuting a Chinese on a charge of being in unlawful possession of a knife, wooden gags and a coil of wire.

The defendant said the articles mentioned in the charge had been given to him.

Inspector Fallon accepted the defendant's plea; but pointed out that he had no right to have taken the things. Describing the defendant's arrest, Inspector Fallon said an informer told the police on October 1st that four armed men were having a meal at a certain tea house.

A party of detectives, including Inspector Fallon and Sergeant Mottram, visited the place and in the cockpit they found the defendant alone. As the police entered, the defendant threw away a parcel. He was taken into custody, and when searched, the knife was found in the back of his girdle. He told the police that he had been given the things by three other men, whose names he gave the police.

One of these men was the informer, who had since disappeared. There was no doubt that these things were given to the defendant and the police then told to arrest him. The police were satisfied that the informer had played a dirty trick on the defendant.

His Worship pointed out to the defendant that he should not have taken the things, especially the knife. Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was imposed.

**THE MACAO RACES.****HANDICAPS FOR EVENTS ON SUNDAY.**

The following entries have been received for the tenth extra race meeting to be held at Macao on Sunday next:

**The October Novices Race—Six Furlongs.**

Dianna, U Un II, Ullawater, Grey Eyes, Duke of Verona, Duke of Nieblung, Sutherland, Copper Mine, Wild Fellow, Misty Eve, Gala Eve, Tarmacadam, Tarzan, Caesar, Walchow, Ching Hoi, Kwong Chow.

**The Macao Third Aggregate Stakes—1 Mile.**

Aristophanes, Mowgli, One Third, Branco, My Lady, Westlake, Wuchang, Wild Fellow, Ma Kau Sinc, Glory, Misty Eve, Gala Eve, Tarmacadam, Caesar, Tarzan.

**The October Consolation Plate—½ Mile.**

Mowgli, Aristophanes, Blue World, Six Hundred, U Un II, Black Pearl, The Zebra, Sunning, May, Wing Sin, Ullawater, Grey Eyes, Duke of Verona, Duke of Nieblung, Sutherland, Zircon II, Copper Mine, Branco, My Lady, Westlake, Wuchang, Ma Kau Sinc, Glory, Volor, Nara Stag, Northern Stag, Misty Eve, Gala Eve, Ching Hoi, Tarmacadam, Caesar, Tarzan, Walchow, Ching Hoi, Spring Day, Silver Mine.

**The Coimbra Handicap "A" Class—Six Furlongs.**

Blue World (153), Branco (140), Chomal (163), Duke of Verona (160), Fifty Fifty (100), Ma Kau Sinc (167), Misty Eve (163), Sunning (140), Wild Fellow (143), Wuchang (160).

**The Coimbra Handicap "B" Class—Six Furlongs.**

Aristophanes (153), Bright Prospect (149), Caesar (150), Gala Eve (153), Glory (157), Man of War (152), Mowgli (150), My Lady (150), Tarmacadam (157), The Zebra (150), Westlake (148), Zircon II (154), Erstwhile (150).

**The Coimbra Handicap "C" Class—Six Furlongs.**

Black Pearl (150), Ching Hoi (147), Copper Mine (144), May (153), Meanwhile (150), Nara Stag (153), Northern Stag (147), Six Hundred (147), Sutherland (155), Tarzan (155), The Hough (144), Ullawater (144), Volor (144).

**The Coimbra Handicap "D" Class—Six Furlongs.**

Dianna (153), Duke of Nieblung (155), Grey Eyes (160), Kwong Chow (160), Little Darling (140), Little River (140), Ploughman (145), Shingle (140), Slang River (180), Silver Mine (142), Spring Day (155), Wat Chow (140), Wing Sin (140).

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man and A. McIntyre.

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. against H.K. University 1st XI on Tuesday next, at King's Park, at 5.15 p.m.

D. Harvey; E. R. Robin, A. C. Jeffries; V. M. Hast, J. Gardner, T. Seddon; A. J. Ashby, F. Munn, F. Allen, R. Murray, and F. R. Ashton. Reserves: A. R. Kinross and J. D. Murphy.

Twelve cases of infectious disease were reported to the Medical Officer of Health last week. Six of these were small-pox, enteric fever and one diphtheria. All were Chinese. There were four deaths, three from small-pox and one from diphtheria. Two deaths were also reported from influenza.

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The overall length of the vessel is about 260ft., and the approximate displacement will be about 1,150 tons. The vessel is built with a long forecastle deck, which combined with the boat deck extends aft for about three-fourths of the length of the ship. There is a good flare forward which will render the vessel more seaworthy, and capable of remaining at sea in rough weather. The crew's quarters, which are forward, include room, bathrooms, and a service of ice water to each mess.

It is anticipated that the vessel will be employed in the Far East, and arrangements have been made for the crew to mess and sleep in the open air under the shelter of the forecastle and boat deck, which has been protected against the sun by double awnings. The armament will consist of 4in. guns and machine-guns. The machinery consists of twin-screw turbine engines with a collective shaft horsepower of 2,000. The turbines are of the Parsons impulse reaction type driven through single reduction gearing, with a working pressure of 220lb. per sq. in. The boilers consist of ten water-tube boilers of the three-drum type arranged for oil fuel burning; the steam pressure at the boilers is 250lb. per sq. in., working under closed stokehold conditions.

### KOCHOW PIRATES.

#### MEET DEATH AT HANDS OF TROOPS.

Prompt and commendable action on the part of the garrison commander in Tai Ping Sha, Nantao district, resulted in a gang of pirates being either killed or captured. There is strong reason to believe, however, that the pirates are still in the Canton Gazette, that the pirates account for in this action formed part of the gang that looted the steamer Kochow plying on the Hongkong-Wuchow run.

Information has been received that a notorious pirate chief would be making his return to his native village with a small gang of his satellites. This man had been attacked by troops only recently and it was purely luck that enabled him to escape from being caught. Commander Lian of the 34th Regiment of the 12th Division, stationed at Tai Ping Sha, made plans to intercept the pirates, and accordingly a portion of his troops were sent to seek the band and offer a hot reception. Guided by the local Precautionary Guards, the pirates were discovered making their way through a sugar cane plantation. A fierce fight ensued for several hours, in the course of which over ten pirates were killed. Only four men were left alive, and these were subsequently made to pay the extreme penalty for their sins. A quantity of books were found in which were recorded the names of various captives, while several black-mail letters and an ivory seal were found on one of the dead bodies. These served to identify the body as that of the chief of the gang. A rapid fire magazine rifle and several pistols were recovered from the killed. On the side of the law four soldiers were wounded, while one was killed.

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#### TELEGRAPHS!

### ST. DUNSTAN'S.

#### BLINDED CRAFTSMEN'S BIGGER OUTPUT.

St. Dunstan's has issued the 13th annual record of its activities on behalf of men blinded in the war—and it is a cheering record of the help unstintingly given which enables the men to follow professions and handicrafts, hobbies, sports and pastimes with increasing interest, thoroughness and success.

The "family of St. Dunstan's" now numbers over 1,900 officers, n.c.o.s., and men blinded in the war and 4,900 wives and children settled in their own homes in almost every part of the Empire. The report pays tribute to the courage and adaptability of those who have lost their sight, and points out that a deficit of nearly £5,500 during the year ended March 31 last is really direct evidence of the success of St. Dunstan's methods. With increased experience the blinded craftsmen have added appreciably to their productivity and earning power, and the result has been a necessary increase in the direct subsidy payable to their trades. The men have, in fact, "increased their turnover," their use of subsidized raw material, and the volume of finished articles which St. Dunstan's has to help them to sell by no less a sum than £14,000. Indian competition in the mat industry and foreign competition in basket-making and joinery make the problem a difficult one, but supporters of the institution are assured that "St. Dunstan's will make strenuous efforts to maintain unimpaired its services in connexion with the men's productive work."

During the year under review the administration has been re-organized and reorganized. The administrative headquarters for all the Imperial and national work and the local centre for London men are now St. Dunstan's headquarters, Inner Circle, Regent's Park; the technical headquarters, stores, and sales office are, in a property on a site near headquarters; and the principal establishment for the personal care of blinded soldiers is St. Dunstan's, Brighton. Substantial economies are expected to result from the reorganization, and the council say: "If our income is maintained, if we can solve the difficulty of selling our men's goods, and unless any unforeseen and unavoidable liability arises, we shall next year begin the process of building up our endowment fund." The council aim at setting aside a sinking fund which will endow St. Dunstan's at the end of 15 years.

### MEXICAN QUAKE.

#### HALF OF OAXACA TOWN REPORTED RUINED.

Mexico City, Oct. 9. An earthquake shock caused the deputies to hurry out of the Chamber, which suspended its sitting. The shocks were felt in nine states. The damage done is heavy, particularly in the town of Oaxaca, the southern section of which is ruined.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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L. LESDOS, Agent, Hongkong, 9th October, 1928.

### GOLD MOVEMENT.

#### JAPANESE EMBARGO MAY BE REMOVED.

Osaka, Oct. 9. The report that the Tokyo Clearing House bankers have at last come to the conclusion that the time is ripe to urge the immediate restoration of the Gold standard and that they will shortly pass a formal resolution to that effect, has been received by bankers here with approval and satisfaction, because they have long been unanimously in favour of immediate restoration. However, they regret that the Government is still hesitating. It is difficult to tell how soon the measure of public opinion will force the Government to make a decision.—*Reuter.*

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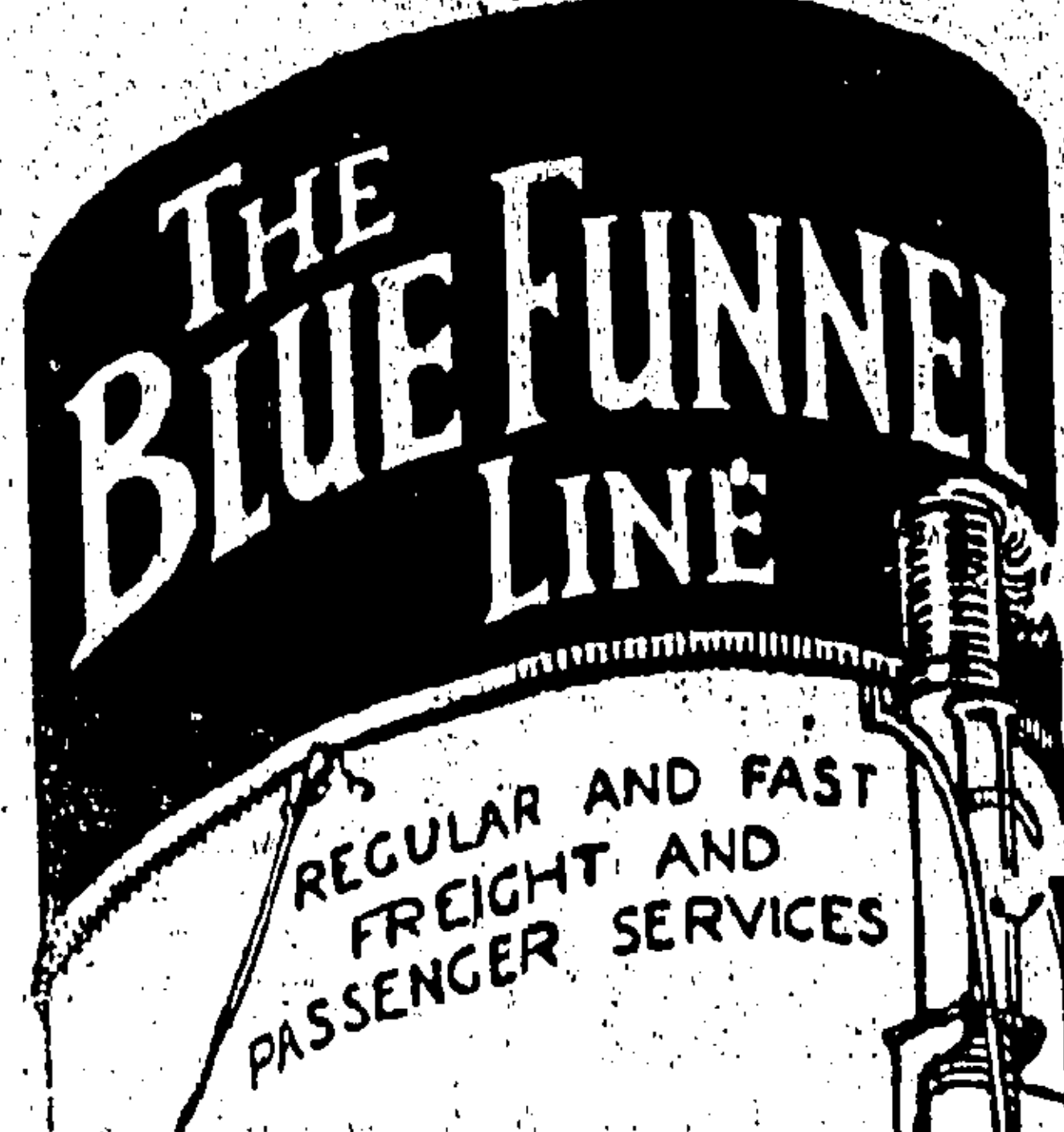
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In view of this state of affairs, General Wang Shao-hung, the Chairman of the Kwangsi Government, has been devoting close attention to the problem, and has come to the conclusion that the use of motor cars for the carriage of mails over the main routes of the province, such vehicles to run to regular schedule. The use of these machines will do much to surmount the difficulties now met with, and more expeditious as well as more regular deliveries of mail should be the result.

In consultation with General Wu Ting-yang, the Commissioner of Reconstruction in Kwangsi, plans have been drawn up for the inauguration of such services. Nanning, Wuchow and Lichow will be the first cities to be served by this new method, as these cities are considered the three leading centres of the province. Other important centres will come later into the scheme.

### THE NEGUS CROWNED.

42,000 TROOPS PARTICIPATE IN CELEBRATIONS.

Rome, Oct. 9.  
A message from Addis Ababa states that Ras Tafari was crowned Negus of Abyssinia at six o'clock this morning. The crown was placed on the King's head by his aunt, the Empress Zauditu in the presence of the clergy, Secretaries of State, Diplomats, and the Governors of the neighbouring colonies.

The Negus, after a speech by the War Minister showed himself to the people and received an ovation. Afterwards a religious ceremony was held in the cathedral and a procession passed through the town.

Forty-two thousand troops participated in the celebrations, which concluded with a banquet at the palace.—*Reuter.*

## FOREIGN CAPITAL.

WILL BE WELCOMED FOR DEVELOPMENT.

Nanking, Oct. 9.  
Mr. Sun Fo, in an interview with *Reuter*, emphatically denied reports that the National Government would not welcome foreign capital for the development of Chinese industries and commerce. He declared that crippled by years of internecine strife China needed capital to build up the State and looked to European and American financial interests to assist the gigantic reconstruction programme. He said the time was not ripe to reveal the results of his conversations with American financiers.—*Reuter.*

## PASSENGERS.

### DEPARTED.

Per Dollar Liner Pros. Cleveland left Hongkong for San Francisco on October 9.—Mrs. D. D. Altan, Mr. Davis Altan, Miss Margaret Jacob, Mr. Getty Miller, Mrs. Sophia L. Smith, Mr. Antonio V. Dixon, Mr. Araceli V. Dixon, Mrs. Isabel Villonca, Mrs. Alice Aril, Mr. Gabriel R. Manalac, Mr. Miguel Pujalte, Mr. F. H. Miller, Mrs. N. E. Wylie, Miss Murphy, Mr. P. W. Tsou, Mr. S. C. Yang, Mr. S. G. Yang, Mr. and Mrs. Y. F. Koo, Mr. Koo Pong and Mr. Koo Sze, Mr. Koo Kuen, Mr. Ng Nie Hong, Mr. Tang Sun Chio, Mr. Quan Tat Ping, Mr. Ho Kui Sang, Mrs. Ma Shee, Mr. Ma Cheung, Mr. Ma Chung, Mr. Wong Yung, Mr. E. Rathje, Mr. K. M. A. Enthoven, Mr. R. D. Gillespie, Mr. Chan Ko Po, Mr. H. W. Mok, Mrs. Julia Conti, Mr. S. W. Wong, Mrs. Lai Shee, Mrs. Young Kat Oi, Mr. Young Tim Oy, Mr. and Mrs. L. Paulo Da Costa, Mr. and Mrs. V. Farmer, Miss Julia Soares, Mr. K. S. Chui, Mr. C. L. Armstrong, Mr. Hom Lok, Mr. Miguel Pan, Mr. Sam Fee Hol, Mr. Li Tin Fook, Mr. Gee Ah Cane, Miss Mabel Loten, Mrs. S. N. Laird, Mr. J. A. Seales, Mrs. Vera V. Cox, Mr. E. Evanson, Mr. George Morris, Mrs. Gloria L. Otedabi, Mr. Hilda B. Sorenson, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Mr. F. I. Patrick, Mrs. Calra W. Patrick, Miss L. Hyde, Mrs. John J. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sharp, Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. John Reynolds, Mr. M. P. Annet, Mr. Chan Wing, Mr. K. D. Chiu, Mr. Hon Men Luk, Mr. Kwong U. Luk, Mr. Au Yuk See, Mr. K. L. Au, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Lee, Mrs. Chow Kam, Mrs. Chu Kweck Leun, Mr. K. M. Pato, Mr. J. D. Lewis, Mr. Yang Wei Pin, Mr. S. C. Ebrahim, Mr. P. S. Wai, Mr. V. A. Cools, Mr. K. P. Lee, Mr. J. M. Henry, Mr. O'Young Che On, Mr. Aa Wong May Chu, Mr. E. G. Schwarz, Mrs. F. R. Cameron, Mr. Young Tim Sum, Miss Lau Sin Wah, Mr. M. Dorian, Mr. C. M. Ho, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rial, Mr. Y. M. Loo, Mr. A. Yul, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Garlow, Mr. W. G. Garlow, Mr. R. Garlow, Mrs. Juan Wong Hing, Mr. Jon Gilt, Mr. Loon Yim, Mr. Quan Sing, Mrs. J. M. Henry, Rev. J. J. C. Herckenrath and Mrs. Juanita C. Walters.

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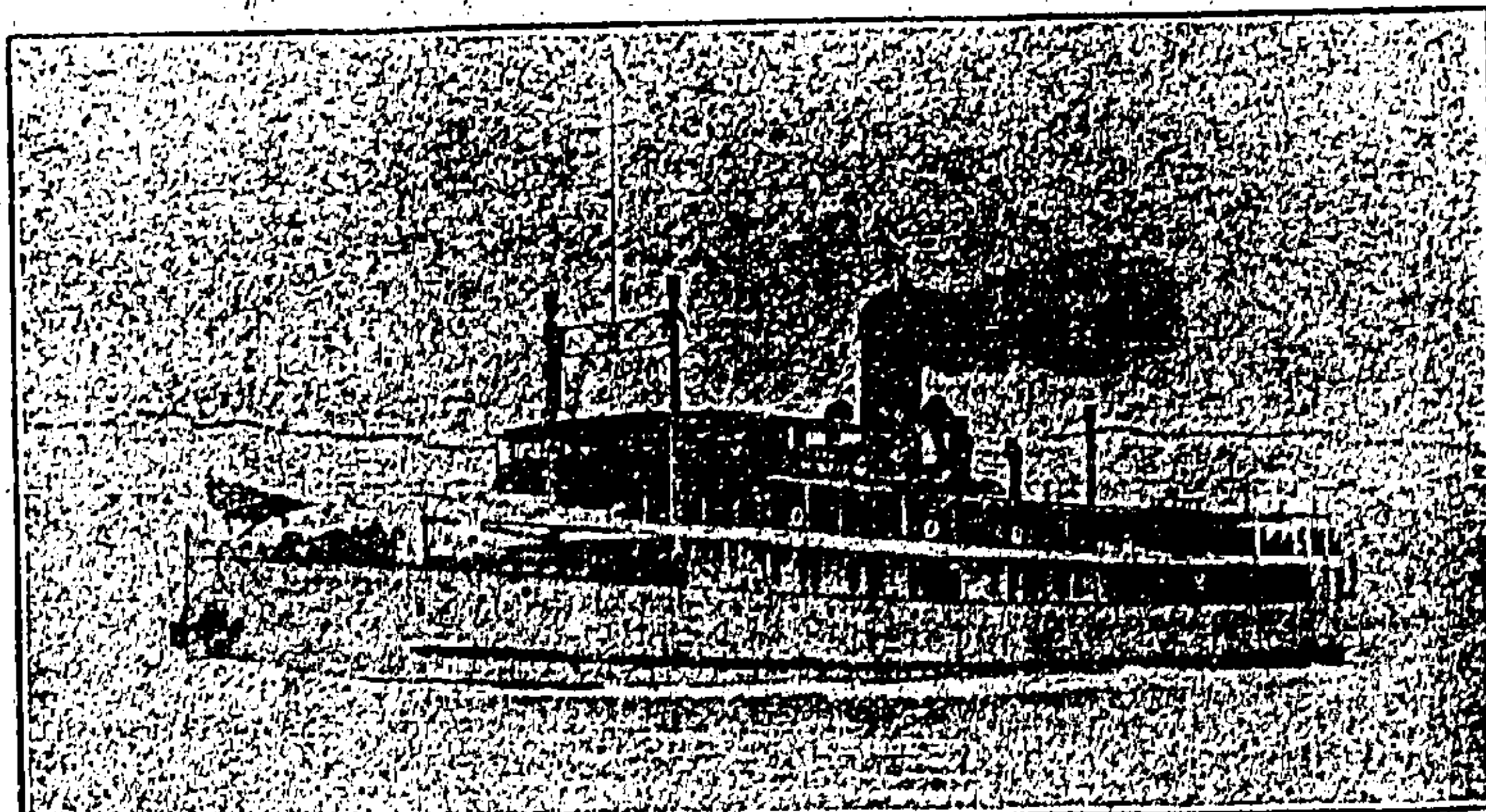
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## RECENT MOTOR BUS FIGHT.

PORTUGUESE ORDERED TO  
PAY COMPENSATION.

PARTIES BOUND OVER.

A charge of assault was preferred by a Chinese against J. A. de Luz, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, as a result of a fight on board a China Motor Bus at the junction of Nathan and Jordan Roads on the morning of October 1st.

The defendant entered a plea of not guilty.

The complainant said he boarded the bus in question near the Po Hing Theatre at 8 o'clock on the morning of October 1st. He was booked by the conductor to sit on the rear seat where there were already four Portuguese. Witness occupied the small space indicated between the defendant and another passenger.

The defendant motioned the complainant to get up as there was insufficient room. Witness replied that there was room for five persons and he was entitled to sit down. On nearing Jordan Road, Luz suddenly struck the complainant in the eye, breaking one glass of his spectacles.

The other passengers, all of whom were Portuguese, seized the complainant while the defendant struck him further blows. Witness then shouted to the driver to take the bus to the Police Station, but the passengers objected and left the vehicle. The defendant attempted to leave but was restrained by the complainant and both, together with another Portuguese, who appeared to be the defendant's friend, were driven to the Yau-mai Police Station.

Witness mentioned that after leaving the station he discovered that his wrist-watch was missing. He had not, however, made any report to the police about the loss.

The defendant, in the witness-box, admitted striking the complainant. He said that the Chinese had leaned heavily against his shoulder, and, when politely told about it, began to jostle witness. The complainant also purposely gave witness several jabs in the stomach.

His Worship ordered both parties to be bound over for their future behaviour and further ordered the defendant to pay the complainant \$8 compensation.

## PASSENGER TRAFFIC RETURNS.

MONTH'S DEPARTURES  
EXCEED ARRIVALS.

The returns of passenger traffic for the month of September have now been issued by the Harbour Department and again show an excess of departures over arrivals, numbering approximately 7,000. There were 3,000 more arrivals than departures by ocean steamers, but 10,000 more departures than arrivals by river steamers, while junk and launch returns were practically level. The figures are:

	Arri.	Dpt.
Ocean Steamers	47,829	44,687
River Steamers	79,176	89,608
Junk and Launches	6,492	6,386
Total	133,497	140,681

## ANOTHER BIG CANTON FIRE.

THIRTY HOUSES REPORTED  
DESTROYED.

According to Chinese telegrams received in Hongkong last night, another big fire broke out in Canton last evening, resulting in some thirty houses being destroyed.

It appears that the outbreak started in the heart of the city, at Tai Sun Street, at about 7.30 p.m. and raged for an hour and a half before it was finally quelled by the Fire Brigade.

It is stated that only one building in the street, an old stone structure, escaped destruction.

No casualties have so far been reported.

## SENIOR SOCCER.

KOWLOON PLAYING THIS  
AFTERNOON.

The Senior League match between the Club de Recreio and Kowloon, arranged for Saturday, has been advanced. The match will be played on the Recreio ground at 5 p.m. to-day. It is understood that both clubs are relying on their teams of Saturday last.

## JAPAN URGED TO SETTLE.

BOYCOTT CRIPPLING  
BUSINESS.

SHINTO CLUB ADVOCATES AN  
EARLY ADJUSTMENT.

NO PARTY PREJUDICE.

Tokyo, Oct. 2.

The Shinto Club, under the presidency of Mr. T. Tokonami held a meeting yesterday afternoon of its parliamentary members, over 30 in all.

Mr. Tokonami in a speech said: "Owing to the strained relationship of Japan and China, the trade between the two countries is at a standstill, with the consequence that merchants of the middle-class and downwards are in a very difficult position. It is most regrettable, for the sake of the nation, that the anti-Japanese agitation in China is growing more serious than ever and that various outstanding issues remain unsolved."

"It is, therefore, up to the Shinto Club to devise pertinent effective measures for the improvement of the relations of the two countries, by rising superior to party prejudice."

Settlement Urged.

Following Mr. Tokonami's speech, the Shinto Club discussed and passed a statement on Chinese affairs as follows:

"That negotiations respecting various problems pending between Japan and China are at a deadlock is a matter to be deeply regretted, for it is to the great disadvantage of the two nations. In view of the general situation of the Orient as well as of the inherent, traditional relationship of the two nations, the Japanese Government should lose no time in devising means for the prompt opening of Sino-Japanese negotiations on the basis of reasoning on both sides, with the object of eradicating the root of controversy and of cementing the friendship of the two nations, thereby securing lasting peace and welfare for the two nations."—Toho.

"Time Not Ripe."

Peking, Oct. 2.

Mr. Yoshizawa, Japanese Minister, to-day held a conference with high staff officials of the Japanese Legation, including Mr. Hori, who returned from Tokyo the day before yesterday, bringing with him a message from the government authorities regarding China affairs.

After the conference, replying to questions put to him by a Toho representative, the Japanese Minister stated: "Though I have listened to a detailed report concerning the result of consultations between Mr. Hori and the authorities concerned of the home Government, I am not yet in a position to make any remarks as to the contents of the report."

"As regards the Tsinan affairs, Sino-Japanese informal consultation has already been made, though it is not yet completed. In consequence, the definite time and place for the holding of official Sino-Japanese negotiations in this respect have not yet been decided on."

Answer Not Forthcoming.

"Regarding the treaty question, the time is not ripe for giving a reply to the second note of the Nationalist Government, but in view of the fact that communications are now being exchanged, it cannot be said that informal arrangements are not being conducted between the authorities of the two countries, though I cannot express my opinion at this juncture whether or not the time is ripe for the commencement of Sino-Japanese negotiations. However, the present aspect may be put as being still in the shape of 'green persimon,' so to speak."

"With reference to the question of the graduated tariff, it is getting evident that the Nanking Government intends to promulgate the tariff before long. As to its contents I should think that they are similar to what was suggested at the last Tariff Conference."

"The Nationalist Government has not yet officially asked the Powers concerned for approval of its new tariff, but it is to be expected that the Nationalist Government, before putting it in force, will communicate with the Governments of the Powers concerned, asking for their approval thereof. As for Japan, it is more than likely that she will agree to the enforcement of the new tariff under a certain condition."—Toho.

## RECENT SHIPPING CASUALTY.

HAKUHO MARU TOWED INTO  
HONGKONG.

COAL CARGO PROBLEM.

The Japanese freighter s.s. Hakuho Maru which stranded and was damaged in the Hainan Straits recently, has now been towed back to Hongkong by the Talkoo tug and is at present berthed alongside the dock.

The Talkoo tug took out a salvage party, who were successful in affecting temporary repairs, sufficient to allow for the tow back to Hongkong, but it is understood that the vessel is still leaking slightly.

The Hakuho Maru has a cargo of 7,000 tons of coal on board for Shanghai and wishes to continue the voyage to save the time and cost of discharge here, if that is possible. She is now waiting for a decision of the local surveyors as to whether the journey can be continued with safety under present conditions.

If an adverse decision is given, she will have to be unloaded, docked and repaired here. It is believed that the vessel is so badly strained that the continuation of her voyage in her present state is improbable.

## ON MAIDEN TRIP.

NORWEGIAN MOTOR SHIP  
ARRIVES HERE.

A vessel new to the port appeared in this morning's returns under the Norwegian flag, this being the motorship Toronto, understood to be on her maiden trip.

She is a vessel of 4,600 tons gross, her dimensions being length 381.8 feet, beam 52.2 feet and depth 27.7 feet. She was completed this year at the yards of the Cie. de Normandie de Rouen and engaged 4,000 h.p. by Ch. and Atel. de St. Nazaire.

The owners are Wilhelmssen and Co. of Tonsberg, for whom Messrs. Dodwell and Co. are the local agents, while the master is Captain Arthur Tidemann, with a crew of 33 Europeans. She entered from Baltimore and Keelung with a cargo of 580 tons, on a draft of 13 feet 4 inches.

## CUBAN BID FOR SUGAR MARKET.

NAVAL PRODUCTS FORCED TO  
CUT PRICES.

Durban, Oct. 9.

In order to meet the competition of Cuban sugar imported via American ports, the Natal sugar producers have been compelled to make very large price cuts down to bedrock.

The wholesale price of Natal sugar has for some time past been 26/- per hundred pounds. This has now been reduced to 22/- the same price as Cuban sugar sold in Durban.—Reuter.

## RECORD ORDER FOR LIGHT PLANES.

FIFTY AVRO-AVIAN MACHINES  
FOR NEW YORK.

London, Oct. 9.

The A.V. Roe Company, of Manchester, have received an order from New York for fifty Avro-Avian aeroplanes fitted with thirty to eighty horse-power Cirrus engines and the Handley Page slotted-wing safety device.

This is believed to be the biggest order for light planes ever placed.—British Wireless.

## THE UNEMPLOYED.

A FURTHER CONSIDERABLE  
INCREASE.

London, Oct. 9.

The number of unemployed in Great Britain on October 1st shows a further considerable increase, of 41,166 compared with the week before.

Compared with a year ago, the increase is 260,525.

The total of unemployed is now 1,886,400.—British Wireless.

## FINE WEATHER.

To-day's Observatory report states:—The anticyclone has spread northward and eastward. It is now central over the Lower Yangtze Valley. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

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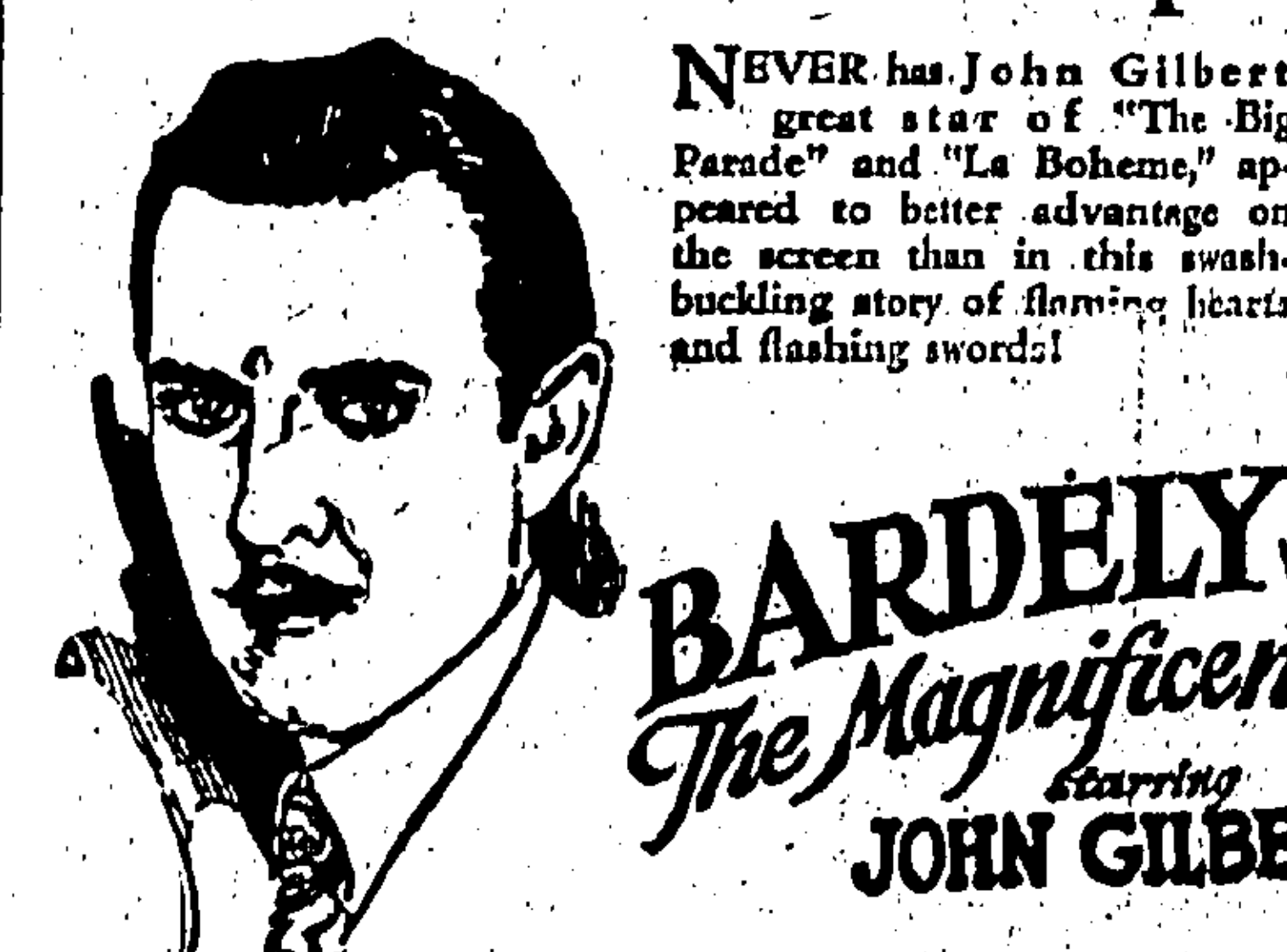
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